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This Is Pettisville School Life



On these beginning pages of the 1964 Lariat appears a cross section of life at Pettisville school. Here can be found glimpses of classes, sports, music, social activities, organizations, dramatics—all in action.

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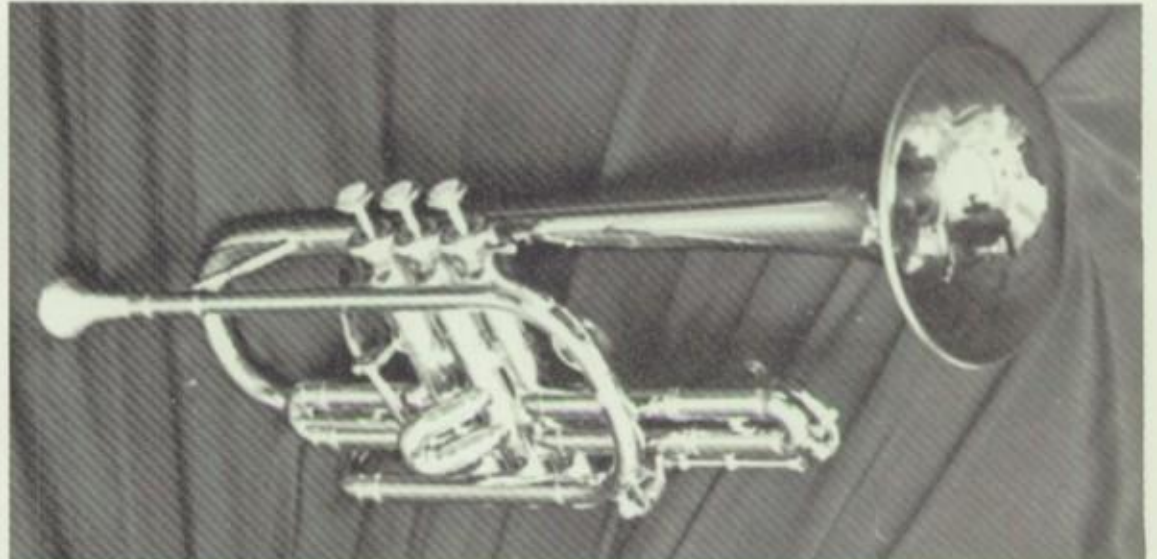
Velma King, Walter Altman, Tom Miller, and Kathy Nafziger at new study hall desks to the thought for the day before beginning to listen.



Jean Ann Rupp, a member of the Meditation Committee, starts the daily activities with a thought for the day over the public address system.

The tools wait patiently in the quiet preface of meditation for the day's activity.

Soon the cornet will respond to a player, and voices float on the air as music begins.



Books stand silently on their shelf until the moment when their contents are needed.

Hands are all that are lacking to bring the laboratory equipment to life and meaning.





Mrs. Hazel Rychener, part-time secretary, gives the morning announcements on the public address system.



Mrs. Georgia Rupp writes receipts as part of her job as secretary in the main office. She is replaced by Mrs. Rychener on Wednesdays.



Mrs. Miriam Ray looks over bills in her husband's office, where she carries on her duties as a school secretary.

Three R's Hold Sway in the Office

Six Cooks Rule the Kitchen

Mrs. Mary Taylor, Mrs. Bueta Rupp, Leroy Nafziger, Mrs. Florence Augustine, Mrs. Barbara Lantz, and Mrs. Stella Disbrow serve lunch in the cafeteria to Bob Wagler and Mr. James Kruse.



Miss Marie Drennan, head cook, looks up from mashing potatoes for the noon meal.

Grade school children enjoy eating the varied meals served each day in the cafeteria.





The seventh grade girls' physical education class, taught by Mrs. Roberta Mayer, does exercises before beginning games. **Back Row:** Lauranne DeWit, Alene Nafziger, Karen Roth, Jane Kauffman. **Front Row:** Gloria Garcia, Rosie Ramon, Linda Ramos, Gloria Martinez.

Preparing Pet Echoes for delivery on Tuesday are Barbara Sigg, Diane Seiler, John Schrock, and Tony Rodriguez.

Students Prepare for College, Jobs

High school classes vary in content and procedure. A visit may find students exercising in the gymnasium, working in shops, performing laboratory experiments, practicing on musical instruments, producing the newspaper, concentrating on special class projects, or reciting in the ordinary manner. Although certain courses are required, many electives are offered, which allow students to prepare for the future. Those students preparing for college generally take courses aiming in that direction, while others are better prepared following graduation if they have special vocational training.



Making use of the new tuner, turned on by Miss Grace Cron, are Codwin Riegsecker, Bruce Yoder, and Donna Genter.

Jill Lawrence and Karen Stuckey work on original designs, a required project in their plane geometry course.





One of the regular projects of the speech class is doing pantomimes. Jackie Weber, Barbara Sigg, Phil Kauffman, Mary Helen Liechty, Jean Ann Rupp, Richard Nafziger, Duane Sauder, and

Roger Weber, Jerry Meyer, and Randy King work on their projects in the eighth grade industrial arts class.

In accordance with a new state regulation requiring the wearing of goggles in chemistry laboratory work, Santos Rodriguez, Allen Leininger, and Artemisa Cerda wear their goggles and lab aprons while working on a chemistry experiment.

Roger Bunke are registering various reactions to John Schrock's sermon.

The kitchen becomes a laboratory as Barbara Roth, Jean Ann Rupp, and Dianne Blosser learn by doing in home economics. They are senior students in home ec 3, taught by Mrs. Rosemary Lind.

A thorough knowledge of the tractor is a part of vocational agriculture training as is shown by Carl Ayers and Richard Nafziger. In the background students work on a second tractor.



Adversity Plays Its Role



The school flag flies at half mast as it did for the month of official mourning following President John Kennedy's assassination on Nov. 22, 1963.



Mrs. Alita Saunders became girls' physical education and health teacher after Mrs. Suzanne Nance's resignation. This work counted as her student teaching. She is working toward her degree at Ohio State University. Mrs. Saunders, her husband Jim, and baby son Rodney live in Wauseon. Mrs. Saunders likes water skiing, sailing, and housekeeping.



Mrs. Brigitte Thomas occupies the desk of Mrs. Thelma Rychener, whom she replaced as speech and English teacher after April 1, while Mrs. Rychener recuperated from surgery. Mrs. Thomas, a native of Germany, lived in Tübingen. She studied at Tübingen University, which dates from 1477. She came to this country to marry the Rev. Arthur Thomas, a teacher in the Anthony Wayne district. Mrs. Thomas studied at Milligan College in Tennessee after her marriage. The Thomas's live near Swanton and have two small sons, Mike and Mark.



All life has some tragedy. The school grieved at President Kennedy's death. Two teachers were replaced—one for surgery; the other, maternity! The students were shocked by Randy Leiningner's loss of a leg in a farm accident. A night of basketball for his benefit netted \$1200.

Tom Rupp guards Executive Head David Lersch in the varsity-faculty game during the Randy Leiningner benefit. Marlin Nofziger, Dick Kazmeyer, of the Balfour Co., and Phil Kauffman watch.

Varsity Capt. Verlyn Nofziger follows Coach Dencil Miller to the hoop.

Ricky Rupp, Mike Leiningner, Keith Meyer, Mark Blosser, and Kenneth Nafziger run the floor during the fourth grade benefit game.





MAIN CHARACTERS AND CAST MEMBERS. Back Row: Jane Eicher, Joette Altman, Nancy Graber, Candee Hoste, Pansy King, Donna Hartman, Judy Riegsecker. Middle Row: Tony Burkholder, Cheryl Thierry, Joyce Liechty, Sue Ann Rychener, Marlin Gearig, Mike Armstrong, Nona Britsch, Max Wyse, Dean Nafziger, Julie Short. Front Row: Julia Miller, Bonnie King, Betty Kruse, Jane Fricke, Darlene Short, Helen Ramos, Denene Fenner, Leslie Miller, Janna Nafziger.

CHORUS. Back Row: Eugene Seiler, Dick Rupp, Bob Rupp, Gary Leatherman, Nevin Miller, Verlen Nafziger, Brad Miller. Middle Row: Laurel Moden, Corwin Rufenacht, Richard Seiler, Curtis Wagler, Charles Carr, Jim Dunning, John Avina, John Martinez, Ramiro Rodriguez. Front Row: Odilia Rodriguez, Sarah Rupp, Lulu Siller, Sharon Suydam, Freddie Keezer, Horacio Jarquin, Billy Mansfield, John Moden, Edward Baer.

One of the most exciting events of the fifth and sixth grades' year was the giving of the operetta, "Lazy Town." All the children took part.

Grades 5 and 6 Give Operetta

CANDLE LIGHTERS. Betty Estrada, Charlene Yoder, Judy Schnitkey, Deanna First, Mary Jo Kruse, Laura Roth, Beverly Miller, Kathy Frey, Debra Keezer, Ardis Riegsecker, Sharon Fowler, Elaine Leatherman.

BROWNIES. Rudy Gonzales, Eddie Keezer, Dick Selgo, Ronald Gerig, Allen Lantz, Jerry Reinking, Tom Riegsecker, Dennis Rittichier, Tim Huber, Edgar Nafziger. **WITCH.** Ann Rupp.

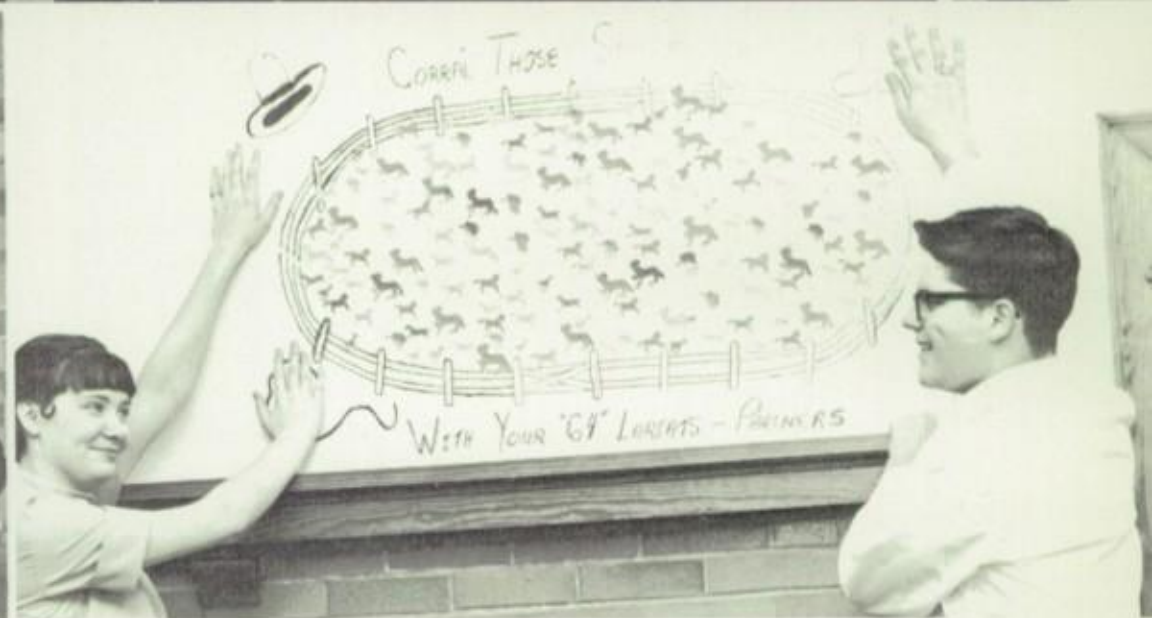
ESKIMOS. Kurt Weber, Robert Aschliman, Ronald Roth, Luther Gautsche, Stuart Schrock, David Somers. **DONKEY.** Jan Stamm, David Roth.

FLOWERS. Luanne Nofziger, Bonnie Double, LuAnn Zaerr, Debra Stuckey, Jo Ann Liechty, Judy Double, Engracia Jarquin, Sylvia Correa, Linda Zaerr, Leora Schultz.



Elementary children are pictured in out-of-class activities. At the merry-go-round are Margarita Jarquin, Larry Murphy, Sandra Meyer, and Mark Nofziger. Toys held by Cindy Johnson, Debra Grieser, and John Jarquin illustrate their varied interests. The popular water fountain attracts Maria Cepeda, David Nofziger, Natalie Smith, Mike Leininger, Richard Laube, and Valentino Rodriguez.





Duane Sauder, president of the Future Farmers of America, turns over his gavel of office to his successor, Keith Nofziger, in March.

One of the projects of the Future Homemakers of America is a coat check at home basketball games. Barbara Sigg and Glora Belle Rychener take their turn working.

The Audio-Visual Club was frequently called upon to show pictures to classes or in general assemblies. Mr. Douglas Rychener

and Jerry Nofziger pose beside the new projector, purchased this year.

Alan Rupp, president of the photo club, the Tri-P's, gets ready to take a picture. Learning photography was the club's purpose.

The name of each person buying a Lariat was written on the cut-out figure of a horse and placed in a corral drawn on a poster. All Lariat purchases were recorded in this manner. Mary Keller, staff member, and John Hartman, business manager, hold up the poster.

Clubs Interest Many

Most high school students find outlets for their out-of-class interests in clubs of various types that have been organized here. Several typical ones are illustrated, showing members busily engaged in their activities. These clubs are as important to the student's development as are his regular classes.



As a book-distributing and money-making project, the Library Club sold paper back books once a week during the noon hour. Here Mary Keller and John Hartman count the money they took in on one of the sales days.

Pres. Dallas Rychener of the Honor Society presides at the induction service.



Variety Adds Zest to Life

The eighth grade president, Tom Wagler, conducts a class meeting during activity period. Between classes Marilyn Graber, Shirley Frey, Linda Klopfenstein, Angela Rice, and Linda Rodriguez are about to enter the home economics room for their next class. Mrs. Rosemary Lind, the home economics teacher, stands at the door as the girls enter her room. Julia Rodriguez gets a book from her locker while Cathy Dunning and Laura Suydam go to get a drink at the drinking fountain.

Communication between students is not lacking in this school. Opinions are aired at class meetings; plenty of chattering is done between classes.

A first-time event of this year was an outdoor rally to set off the basketball season, complete with bonfire, cheers, speeches, and a snake dance. It was well attended and created enthusiasm which lasted through the season. The pep band helped keep the enthusiasm alive.

The physical welfare of students is in charge of a county nurse who visits each week; spiritual and intellectual needs are filled by music, clubs, and some programs by outside talent.

Parents are interested in the school activities. Many attend the Parent-Teacher Organization meetings, and a few belong to the Music Boosters, who give financial aid to the music department. A large number also appear for the biennial school visitation.



Executive Head David Lersch, standing near the bonfire, is one of several speakers at the rally. Listening attentively is a group of students.



At the basketball rally, students add their voices to those of cheerleaders Sue Ann Ray, Doreen Lantz, Charlene Rupp, and Jean Ann Rupp in cheers and songs. The students are Karen Roth, Steve Lauber, Tony Burkholder, Stephanie Miller, Janie Rupp, Allen Smith, David Emmons, Karen Stuckey, Kathy Grieser, Jane Rychener, Joyce Ruetz, Kris Lantz, Artemisa Cerda, Mary Jane Prund, Thelma Nafziger, Becky Huber, Audrey Krieser, Jo Dimon, Janet Hettesheimer, Lucy Miller, Beverly Gearig, Mary Sue Rupp, Jeanne Nafziger, Giora Belle Rychener, Jeanne Nofziger, and Chris Rychener.

Basketball players Max Rufenacht, Verlyn Nafziger, Roger Bunke, and Dallas Rychener join hands in the snake dance following the bonfire and speeches. Janet Hettesheimer led the group in the dance, which took the students up and down all the streets in town.





Each Parent-Teacher Organization meeting is followed by coffee and doughnuts served by three parent couples. Mr. and Mrs. Paul Grieser, Mr. and Mrs. Truman Grieser, and Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence King serve Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Nofziger. This group meets every two months. The Music Boosters meet on alternate months. Parents enjoy refreshments after PTO meeting: Earl Rychener, Mrs. Lester Frey, Mrs. Earl Rychener, Mr. and Mrs. Carl Rychener, Lloyd Nofziger, Leonard King, Mrs. Chester Nafziger, Mrs. Henry Carr, Mr. Carr, Chester Nafziger, Mr. and Mrs. Ervin Nafziger.

The pep band strikes up a tune at a basketball game and some of the spectators turn around to see what is happening. This peppy group added zest to all home games.



Eric Rupp, one of the most talented musicians in school, received superior ratings at district and state contests for his cornet and piano solos.



Giora Belle Rychener and Duane Short serve as ushers for the film, "Incomparable Switzerland," a senior money-making project, which was open to the public.



The school nurse, Mrs. Barbara Andrews, and John Hartman talk about some of his aches and pains at one of her regular weekly visits.



Following the usual custom, the varsity captain, Verlyn Nofziger, crowns Diane Seiler as homecoming queen, before the varsity game with Ridgeville.

Queen Diane reigns with her royal court during the varsity homecoming game. Clockwise Sue Ann Ray, Sherry Schnitkey, Pam Rupp, Patty Nofziger, Jon Wyse, and Diane Rupp.

Two of the most important events of the school year are connected with athletics—the homecoming and the athletic banquet. A prominent sports figure speaks at the banquet and most athletic awards are given then. The people of the community are invited to attend both of these popular events.

Two Social Events Mark Sports Year

Warren Scholler, basketball coach at Bowling Green State University, gives the talk at the annual athletic banquet in the spring. Executive Head David Lersch and Phil Rychener, BG player and former PHS star, listen intently.



Verlyn Nofziger, basketball captain, makes a few appropriate remarks at the banquet. Mr. Lersch acted as Master of Ceremonies for the evening.

Coach Dencil Miller speaks a few words of praise before giving a tie clasp to Marlin Nofziger—his second year award.





Chinese Theme Marks Banquet

Seniors Doreen Lantz and Jeanne Nafziger admire the pagoda which sets the theme of the junior-senior banquet, "Flower Drum Song."

Leading the hootenanny at the banquet is Dave Browning, a senior at Bowling Green State University.

Waiters Betty King, Dave Frey, Jill Lawrence, Dave Rupp, and Jean Kay Rufenacht are appropriately dressed in Chinese costumes.

Walter Sigg and Rachel Nafziger prepare to clear the table as Robert Garza, Jill Barber, Alan Rupp, Diane Seiler, and Butch Andrews finish the first course.

George Liechty, Kathy Gearig, Mary Jane Rychener, and Dallas Rychener wait for their table to be cleared.

Mike Rychener, Dorothy Andre, Kris Lantz, and John Hartman enjoy listening to the International Trio, who entertain during the meal.





Seniors Portray the Miracle of Helen Keller

The blind girls, portrayed by Doreen Lantz, Glora Belle Rychener, Jean Ann Rupp, and Barbara Sigg, sadly tell Annie good-by.



In their play, "The Miracle Worker," the senior cast, under the direction of Mrs. Thelma Rychener, enacted the moving story of Helen Keller. Although she could never see or hear, Helen learned to talk after her governess, Miss Annie Sullivan, had spent considerable time with her. Characters not pictured are

Captain Keller scolds Annie for the way she handles Helen during the dinner while Helen's mother and James listen.



interfering Aunt Ev, played by Barbara Roth; the director of the institute for the blind, Phil Kauffman; the doctor who brought Helen into the world, Dallas Rychener; and Vinnie, a colored housekeeper, Mary Helen Liechty.



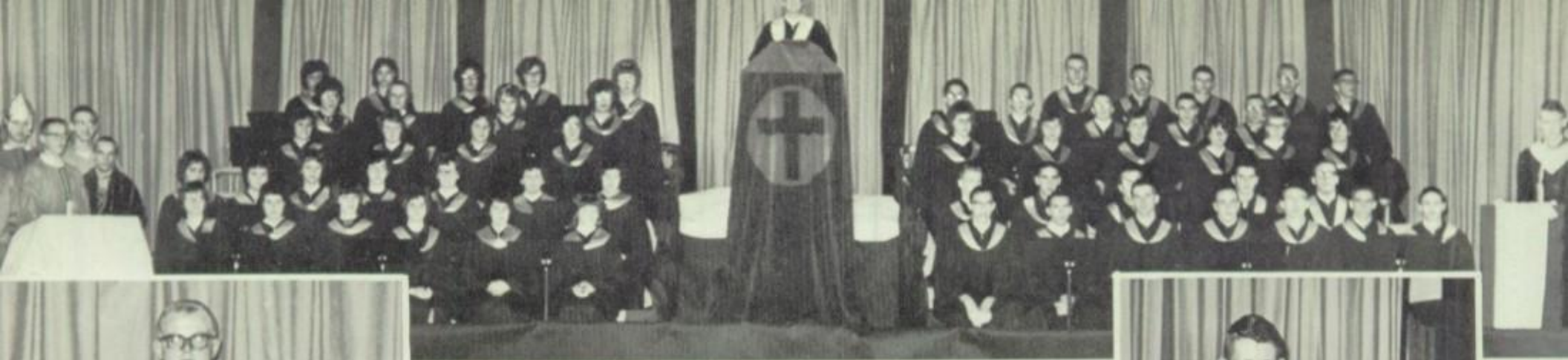
Helen's mother, Carol Nafziger, James Keller, Alan Rupp, and Captain Keller, John Schrock await the day when Annie, Diane Seiler, will bring Helen, Jeanne Nafziger, from the spring house.

Helen investigates her new surroundings after being moved to the spring house while Captain Keller, her mother, and Annie watch her.



Annie's patience wears thin as she tries in vain to communicate with Helen by spelling the names of objects into her hand. Percy, Verlyn Nofziger, serves as Annie's errand boy. Two Negro servants, Susan King and Gloria Wagler, chat backstage. Helen accidentally spills water on her hand and, to the joy of Annie, recognizes what it is and sounds the word with her mouth.





John Schrock serves as reader in the Easter Choralogue, "Were You There," while the witnesses stand at the far left; and the interrogator, Roger Bunke, is at the far right. The members of the senior choir are in the background.



Unusual Plays Role

Two unusual events of the year were the choralogue by the speech class and senior choir and Latin Night for present and past Latin students. This included a Roman dinner and two plays. The freshmen gave "the Sick Boy," who played ill to avoid going to school; and the sophomores, "The Judgment of Paris," the story of Helen of Troy and the golden apple.



"Wine" flows freely at the Roman banquet. Joyce Ruetz, a slave, pours for Jerry Frey, Mr. and Mrs. David Lersch, special guests, and Miss Ruth K. Wyse. Jill Lawrence, Ruth Liechty, John Hartman, and Jerry Frey find the "wine" tasty. Slaves Lucinda Zaerr, Connie Baer, Carma Rupp, and Mary Kauffman serve finger bowls to Beth Ann Rupp, Mike Rychener, Ethel Grieser, and Jean Kay Rufenacht.

Discordia, Jean Kay, throws the apple to goddesses Charlene Reynolds, Norene Rychener, Joanne Roth, and the god Jupiter, Rachel Nafziger. Jupiter sends them, led by Mercury, Karen Stuckey, to Eric Rupp to choose the loveliest.

The sick boy is Luana Wyse. Other cast members are Janie Rupp, Jeanette Eicher, Patsy Nofziger, Rachel Andre, Bruce Rychener, Bruce Yoder, and Paul Liechty.



King Arthur Is Revived

Giving Hank Bennett, the Connecticut Yankee, played by Larry Rupp, a good looking-over are Maurice Murry as King Arthur, Mary Keller as Queen Guenever, John Hartman as Merlin, Mike Rychener as Clarence, and John Nofziger as Sir Sagamor.



Queen Guenever (right) is surprised to meet Queen Morgan Le Fay, played by Jane Rychener, because she was not to arrive for another day or two.

Awaiting their sentences are Sandy, played by Dorothy Andre, Clarence, and Queen Guenever, played by Kathy Gearig. Leading them in is Santos Rodriguez as Sir Sagamor.

Clarence is warning Elaine, Esther Baer, to keep her nose out of other people's business. Looking on is Hank.

After Hank has been knocked out by electricity, Janet Hettesheimer as Marion tries to wake him up by throwing water on him while Mrs. Bennett, played by Kris Lantz, stands by worrying. This situation ends the junior play, the famous and hilarious "A Connecticut Yankee in King Arthur's Court." It was coached by Mrs. Roberta Mayer.



"What a funny creature this is!" say Clarence and Sir Sagamor as they first glimpse Hank.

Queen Guenever is so frightened by Merlin's evil spell that she drops her blankets.

Hank and Sir Launcelot, Richard Peters, save the kingdom by gunfire, which petrifies Queen Morgan and Merlin. Elaine, Charlene Rupp, welcomes them.



Seniors Reach Long-Sought Goal



OPPOSITE PAGE.

Dr. Milo Rediger delivers the commencement address.

The senior class is escorted to the platform by Pres. George Liechty and Secy. Sue Ann Ray of the junior class.

The seniors, speakers, and faculty have just taken their places and are awaiting the invocation at commencement.

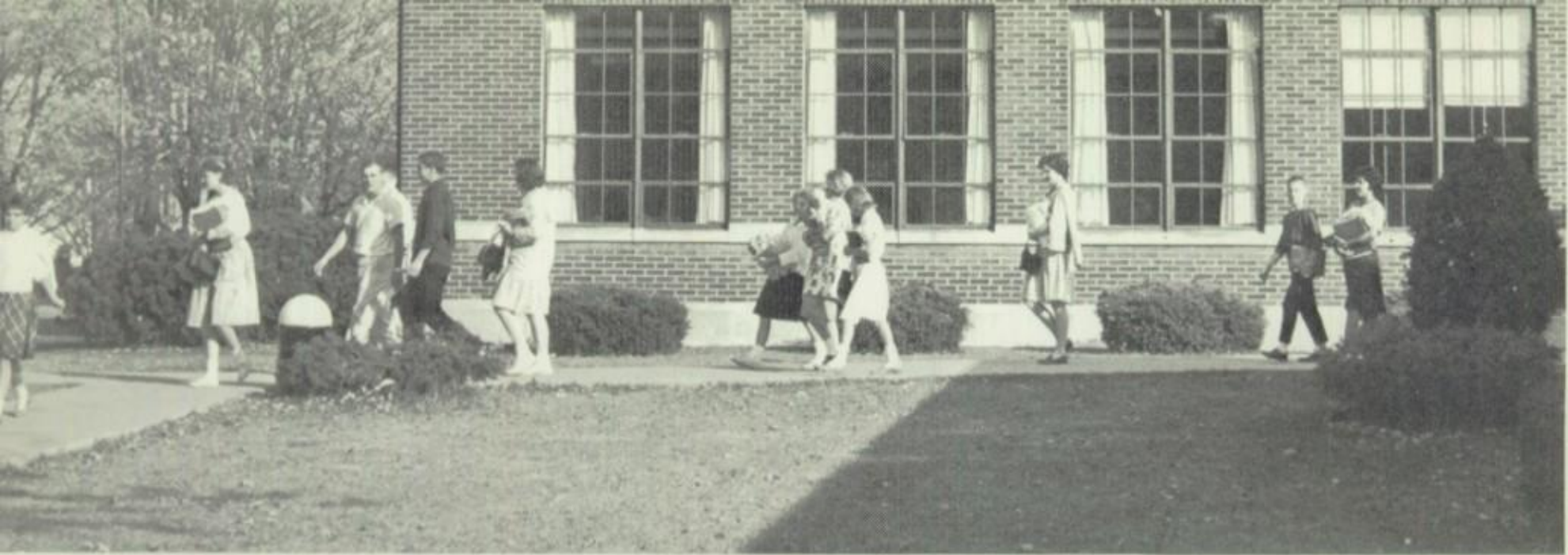
The seniors stand to receive their diplomas. **Back Row:** Dallas Rychener, Barbara Roth, Stanley Nafziger, Susan King, Larry Hartman, Jacqueline Weber, Carl Ayers, Lamar Hull, Ernest Disbrow, Phillip Kauffman, Roger Bunke. **Middle Row:** Doreen Lantz, Thomas Buehrer, Gloria Wagler, Marlin Nofziger, Barbara Sigg, Duane Sauder, Shirley Welly, Verlyn Nofziger, Mary Helen Liechty, Donald Kauffman, Carol Nafziger. **Front Row:** Jeanne Nafziger, Allen Richer, Diane Seiler, Duane Short, Glora Belle Rychener, Richard Nafziger, Lillie Grieser, John Schrock, Diane Blosser, Alan Rupp, Jean Ann Rupp, Roger Price.

ABOVE

Jacqueline Weber receives the most distinguished honor, the citizenship award, from Principal Mark Ray.

Class president, Dallas Rychener, receives his diploma from Orville Rupp, president of the Board of Education. Posing in the lobby with their scholarship awards are Mary Helen Liechty, Marlin Nofziger, Alan Rupp, Dallas Rychener, and Jacqueline Weber.

Thirty-four seniors graduated this year. For their motto they chose Proverbs 4:23: "Keep they heart with all diligence; for out of it are the issues of life." Gold and white were their class colors and the red rose was their flower. The seniors spent the week prior to graduation in New York and Washington.



Another school year has come to a close and vacation time has started for students.

Posing before making the last round for the year are the bus drivers: Herman Kauffman, Rev. Charles Kauffman, Dwight Porter, Dale Gautsche, Wayne Zaerr, Mrs. Lucille Zaerr, and Mrs. Dorothy Rychener.



Everything comes to an end, including the school year. Everyone connected with the school approaches this time with mingled feelings. Vacation time is welcome, for it promises a change from the duties that become a little wearisome after nine months.

Hooray! It's Come! Vacation's Here!

Mr. Richard Selgo, Mr. Dencil Miller, and Mrs. Helen Springer find the teachers' room an inviting place to relax after a hard school-year's work. Most of the time during the year this room was filled with the smell of coffee and cookies and the sound of buzzing talk.



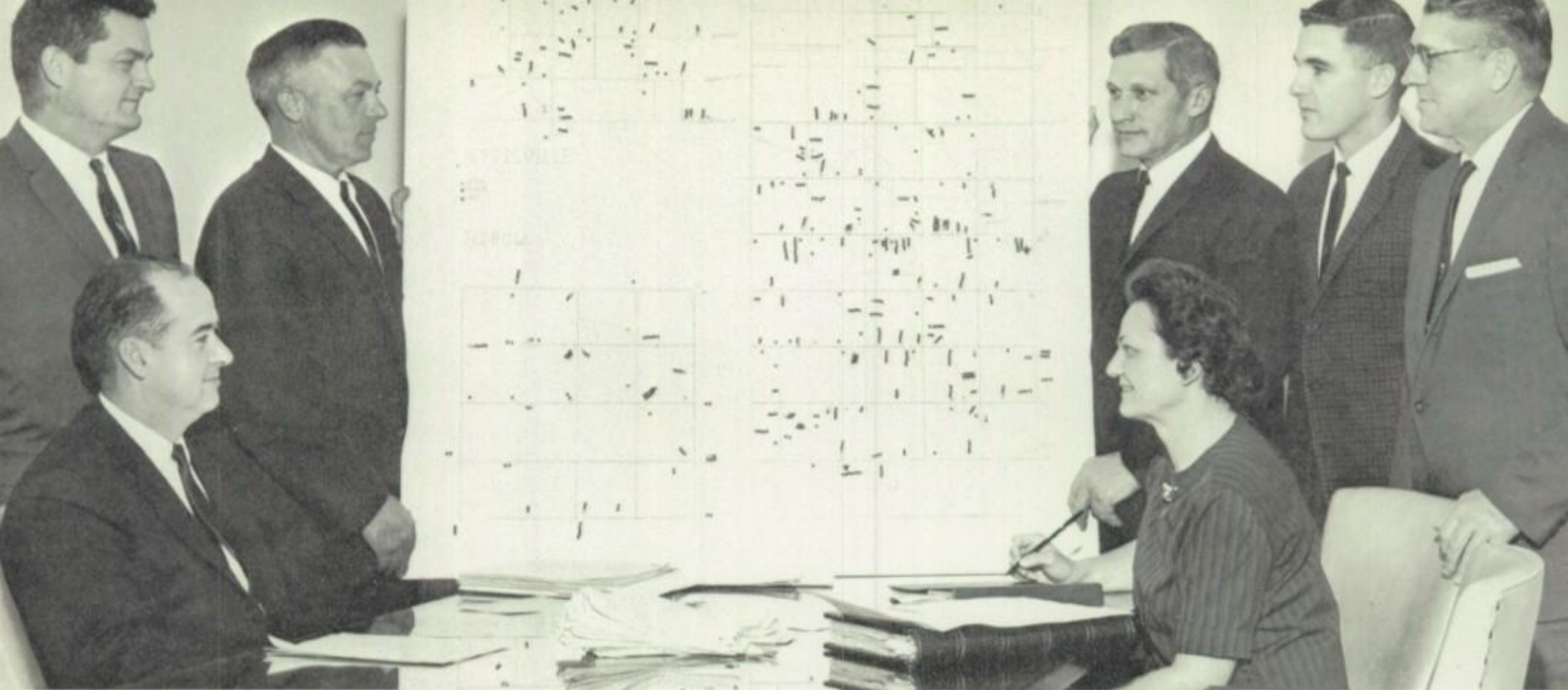
All ready to start their annual summer schoolcleaning are the custodians: Dwight Porter, Mrs. Augusta Plassman, Mrs. Helen Rychener, Mrs. Mabel Burkholder, Maynard Burkholder, and William Lantz, Jr., school engineer.



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The Board of Education looks over a plat of the school district. **Standing:** Donald Liechty, Orville Rupp, Earl Weber, David Lersch, Paul Smith. **Sitting:** Dale Beck, Mrs. Miriam Ray, clerk.

The Board of Education is a vital factor in the operation of any school. A personal interest in the welfare of the school makes for a good school. The local board is one which has the feeling. Pos-

sibly one reason is that three of the members are graduates of this school—Orville Rupp, now president of the board; Donald Liechty, vice-president; and Paul Smith. Dale Beck, board president until January 1, and Earl Weber are the other two members. Mrs. Miriam Ray is clerk and Executive Head David Lersch is member ex-officio.

School Board Heads Administration



Executive Head David Lersch sits at his desk and looks up from his appointments book before beginning the day. Mr. Lersch has his first degree from Ashland College and his M.A. from Bowling Green State University. He has done work at Toledo University toward his doctorate. Before coming to Pettisville this year, Mr. Lersch served as principal at Elmira for five years. As a relief from professional activities he enjoys all kinds of athletics. The Lersch family live near Elmira with their three pre-school-age children, David, Dawn, and Andrea.

One of the duties of Prin. Mark Ray is presiding at high school teacher's meetings. He is doing just that in the picture. Mr. Ray began his teaching career at Pettisville twenty-two years ago and he has served as principal for twelve of those years. He holds both the B.A. and M.A. degrees from Ohio State University. His field is in the social sciences. In addition to his administrative duties, Mr. Ray teaches American Democracy and English 7. In his leisure time he enjoys sports, TV, and reading. His two sons, James and Arthur, are following in the footsteps of their father and are attending Ohio State. Sue Ann, the only daughter, is a junior at Pettisville. To round out the family picture, Mrs. Ray is a school secretary and clerk of the Board of Education, both of which positions she has held many years.





Mrs. Florence Porter accompanies one section of the kindergarten as they enjoy their daily singing. For sixteen years Mrs. Porter has taught kindergarten here. She taught elementary music part time for two years before this. She has her B.S. degree in education from Bowling Green. She and her husband, Dwight, live in Pettisville. They are active in the work of their church. Mrs. Porter enjoys music, reading, and Spanish. She was responsible for organizing and teaching the adult English class for Spanish-speaking people which was held weekly for the second year. The Porters have two married daughters, Nancy and Rachel, and three grandchildren.



An important part of first grade activity is teaching the pupils to read. Here Mrs. Florence Lindley assists one of her reading classes. Mrs. Lindley has taught at Pettisville for twenty years. She received her degree from Bowling Green State University. Among her interests are reading, traveling, and her pets. Mrs. Lindley and her husband, Clifford, live near Wauseon.

BGSU Educates Many Elementary Teachers

Mrs. Helen Springer, the first Pettisville graduate to return to teach here, directs the learning of one section of the first grade. One of the activities of that group is original art work, and Mrs. Springer is putting up for display valentines that her children made. Mrs. Springer's service here has been a kind of out-again in-again affair, for she has taught here at four different periods, each being interrupted by a year or more of absence. She has taught at Fulton and Whitehouse elementary schools also. However, her teaching at Pettisville totals eighteen years. She has taught second and third grades but she always returns to first grade. During periods when she was not teaching, Mrs. Springer substituted in almost every elementary grade in school. She enjoys sports, especially swimming, bowling, and golf; and she is also fond of knitting. She and her husband, David, a former executive head of Pettisville School, live in Pettisville. Mr. Springer is county high school coordinator.



Mrs. Dorothy Holland, a second grade teacher, is shown handing Mrs. Miriam Ray the daily lunch money. Mrs. Holland has taught at Pettisville for nine years. She graduated from Northwest Missouri State Teachers' College and has a B.S. degree in education. Among her interests are music, sports, and gardening. Mrs. Holland, her husband Carl, Larry, and Mary Jane live in Archbold. Larry is attending Baldwin-Wallace College. Mary Jane goes to Archbold High School.



Miss Janice Nafziger makes class time more enjoyable by playing records for her second grade pupils. Music is one of the things she enjoys most, particularly singing. However, she is also an avid reader, with very high tastes in that direction, for she particularly likes Shakespeare. Another graduate of Pettisville High School, Miss Nafziger has the degree of B.S. in Education from Goshen College. She taught at Fulton two years before completing the work for her degree which she received last year. In addition to her teaching duties, Miss Nafziger finds time to serve as editor of "The Voice," the Mennonite Youth Fellowship periodical for Ohio.

Mrs. Marlene Graf is another Pettisville grad who has returned to teach at her alma mater. She and one of her third graders pause during a conference on an arithmetic problem to pose for the photographer. As Marlene Roth, she was in the P.H.S. class of 1958. She holds her degree of B.S. in Education from Goshen college. She taught a year at Fulton School before coming to Pettisville this year. Mrs. Graf likes to be out-of-doors, gardening and playing tennis. She also enjoys sewing. She and her husband, Gene, live in the country north of Elmira.

Mrs. Shirley Sullivan, a new third grade teacher, has learned that a duplicator machine is a valuable piece of equipment in the school for tests, drill work, and art work. Mrs. Sullivan graduated last year from Adrian College, cum laude, and she holds a B.S. degree in education. This is her first teaching position. She enjoys music and teaching. Mrs. Sullivan and her husband Michael live in Archbold. Mr. Sullivan is also an elementary teacher. He replaced Mr. David Lersch as principal of Elmira School when the latter came to Pettisville.



Plants demand care or they refuse to flourish. Mrs. Valetta Bowers, fifth grade teacher, waters the plants in her room. Mrs. Bowers is a graduate of Ridgeville High School. She attended both Taylor University and Bowling Green State University. She lives in West Unity. She and her husband Wayne have four children: Jeffrey 9, Joey 8, Jill 7, and Jenni 3.



Mrs. Vera Cooley is a graduate of Fayette High School and she received her degree from Bowling Green State University. Richard, Mrs. Cooley's son, plans to attend Bowling Green also, next fall. Mrs. Cooley and her husband Kenneth have two other children: Curtis, who is a junior at Ohio State University, and Kayleen, who attends Fayette school. Mrs. Cooley enjoys reading in her spare time, but she is a busy farmer's wife as well as a teacher. Before coming to Pettisville, she taught at Elmira and Fayette.



Shown here instructing her fourth grade is Miss Sadie Miller. Miss Miller has taught thirty-two years at Pettisville. She received her B.S. in elementary education from Wittenburg College. Of her many interests, Miss Miller enjoys gardening and reading perhaps the most.



Mrs. Mildred Rychener is firing a dish in the school kiln. Making ceramics is among her hobbies. Also included are flowers, painting, sewing, and reading. Mrs. Rychener received her B.S. degree in education from Bowling Green State University in 1953. She taught one year before marriage and returned to teaching in 1946 after her family had grown. She and her husband, William Rychener, state representative from Fulton County, live in Pettisville. They have four married children—two sons and two daughters. Their ten grandchildren are all under nine years of age.





Mr. Vernon Yoder, the teacher of one section of the sixth grade and of high school Spanish, adds interest to his Spanish class by using flash cards. He received his B.A. degree from Goshen College, Goshen, Indiana. Mr. Yoder taught for two years in New Mexico before coming to Pettisville. He enjoys reading and outdoor work. Mrs. Yoder is the former Marilyn Burkholder, a P.H.S. alumna. The Yoders have four children: twins Chris and Curtis, and Anita and Diane.



Mrs. Beverly Ernst, elementary music teacher, leads the sixth grade choir at a concert. This is Mrs. Ernst's first year at Pettisville and the first year she has taught since graduating from Bowling Green State University. She has a degree in music education. She has a beautiful soprano voice and she has given private voice lessons for some time. Collecting milk glass is her main hobby. Mrs. Ernst is married and lives east of Delta. She is the mother of a daughter, Julie Ann, who was one year old this spring.



Mrs. Esther Henschen, one of the sixth grade teachers, explains to her class an important point from a lesson for the day. Mrs. Henschen is another graduate of Bowling Green State University. She taught six years in Ottawa before her marriage. While her husband was in the Armed Service, she taught at Lemoyne. After her family moved to this vicinity, she took one of the sixth grade sections, which she has taught for four years. The Henschens have two children—Jennie, Mrs. Ralph Grieser, and Jim, a seventh grader. They also have one granddaughter. As pastime, Mrs. Henschen enjoys reading, sewing, crocheting, and traveling.

Miss Alta Spiess guides the special class in their study and activities. Here some children are building with blocks. Miss Spiess has taught the special class for the past four years. She has taught in the Pettisville school system for thirty-six years, of which thirty-one years were spent in the fifth grade. Miss Spiess taught one year at a country school which was under the jurisdiction of the Pettisville School Board while the original building was undergoing construction. She has a B.S. degree in elementary education from Defiance College. In her spare time, Miss Spiess enjoys reading and painting in oils.





Mr. Winfield Jones, the high school science teacher, shows that he is much interested in the classics as he is in science by reading *The Canterbury Tales* of Chaucer. Mr. Jones graduated from Georgetown College, Kentucky, with a B.S. in biology and chemistry. He received his M.A. from Bowling Green State University. He served in World War II and left a career of farming to attend college and became a teacher. Before coming to Pettisville, Mr. Jones taught in Georgetown. He enjoys nature photography, reading, and tennis. He has two children, Bart and Connie.



Mrs. Golda Boyer demonstrates her ability at the typewriter, an important teaching device in her field of business education. She teaches all business courses. She graduated from Ohio Northern University with a B.S. in Education. She formerly taught at North Richland-Adams School in Jewell, Ohio. Her main interest is to challenge students, friends, and associates to meet the problems of life wholesomely. She also enjoys homemaking. She is the mother of two elementary-school-age children. Her husband teaches sixth grade at Ridgeville Corners, where the Boyers live.

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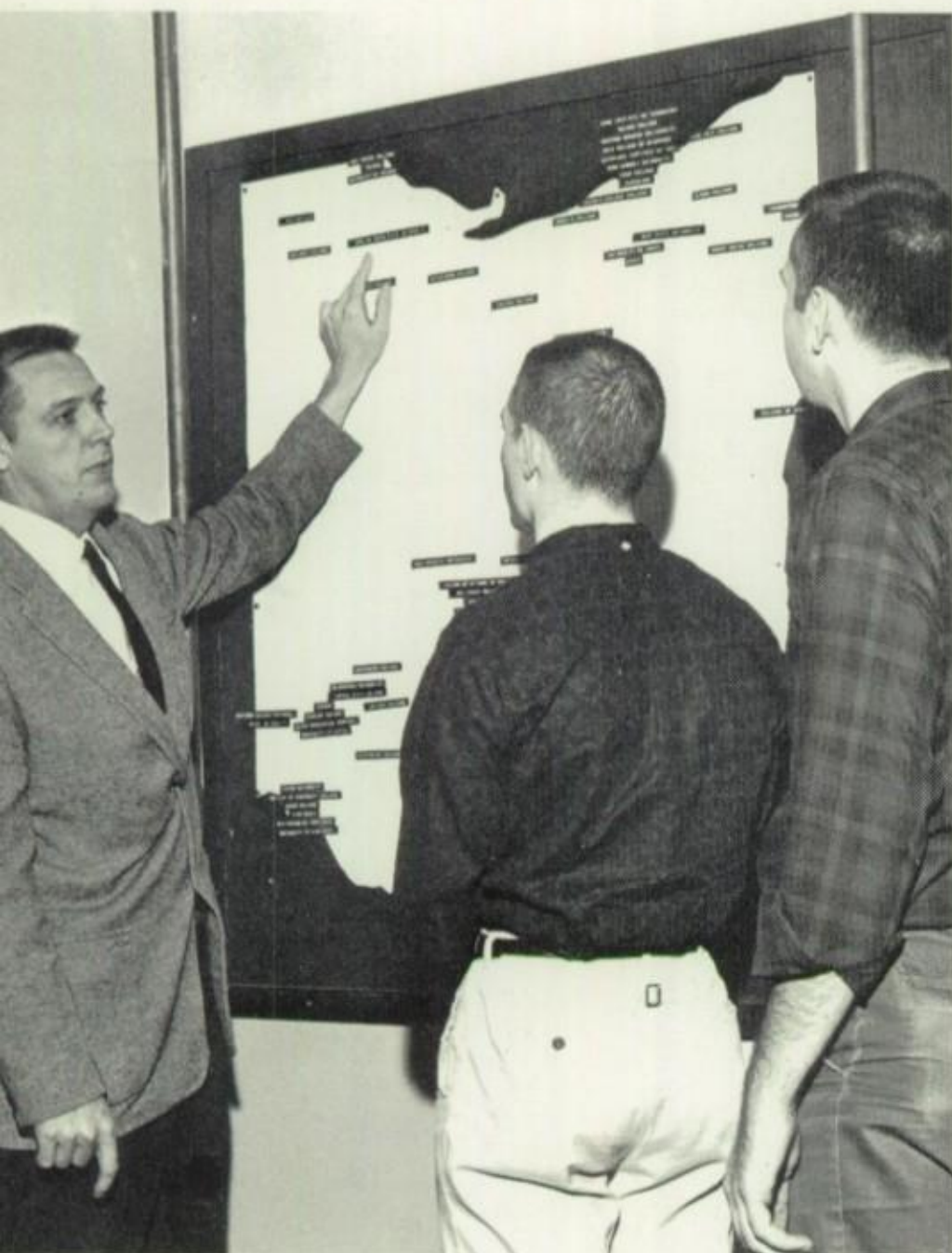
Miss Grace E. Cron, head of the local music department, looks over music before she starts choir rehearsal. She directs senior choir, girls' glee, and band and teaches music to the special class and seventh and eighth grades. Miss Cron received her undergraduate training in music at Bowling Green State University and she now is working toward her M.A. degree in guidance. Before coming to Pettisville, she taught at Sycamore. She lives with her parents near Bowling Green. She enjoys reading when she can find any free time to indulge in it.



The unpredictable member of the teaching staff is Mr. Arthur Grafton. No one ever knows what his next word or act will be. His sense of humor shows in the glint of his eye, but he mixes it with business, for he has just worked a problem with the aid of his slide rule. Mr. Grafton is eighth grade sponsor, and math and science teacher. He also has senior math and science survey. He attended Ohio Northern and Cincinnati universities. He likes hot rods, archery, and the out-doors in general. He also plays the guitar. Mr. Grafton was married last fall and lives in Archbold.



Mrs. Rosemary Lind, the high school home economics teacher, demonstrates the use of the sewing machine to Barbara Carr and Linda Rodriguez. Mrs. Lind attended Bowling Green State University. After graduation she taught at Edon. She came to Pettisville last year. She has two children, a daughter in college at Bowling Green and a son, who is a senior in high school. Gardening is one of her interests. She lives near Chesterfield.



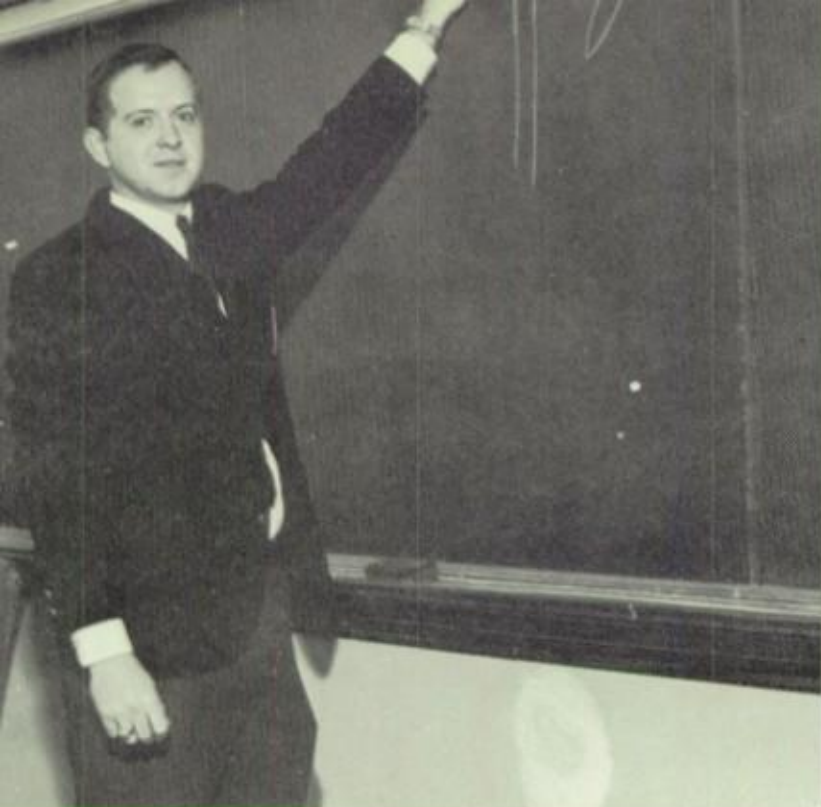
Mr. Dencil Miller is the school guidance counselor and varsity basketball coach. In his role as student counselor, he points out the location of various colleges in northwest Ohio to seniors Roger Price and Carl Ayers. His main interest is to develop good basketball players with character, who will be of benefit to society. Mr. Miller graduated from Western Kentucky State College. He first taught at Auburn, Kentucky. He is the father of three girls.

Mr. James Kruse, the industrial arts instructor, appears in a characteristic pose. He habitually runs a piece of chalk through his hands as he talks to his classes. Mr. Kruse earned his B.S. at Ohio Northern University. Before coming here four years ago, he taught at Ridgeville Corners. In his spare time, he likes to read, fish, and hunt. Mr. Kruse has four children. The family lives in Pettisville.



Mrs. Roberta Mayer, as remedial reading instructor, is pictured aiding two of her pupils. She also teaches math 7, Ohio history, and girls' physical education and she is junior class sponsor. Mrs. Mayer graduated from Bowling Green State University. She is interested in flowers, gardening, and art. She has three sons, the eldest of whom is a Wauseon High School senior. The Mayers live in Wauseon.





Mr. Douglas Rychener makes his history courses more interesting by drawing pictures to illustrate his points. He teaches World and American history and some of the boys' physical education. Mr. Rychener coached the reserve squad during the basketball season. He played basketball at Ridgeville High School and Defiance College, where he received his B.S. degree. He began his education in kindergarten at Pettisville but moved to Ridgeville Corners after that first year. Mr. Rychener is sponsor of the sophomore class. This is his first year of teaching.

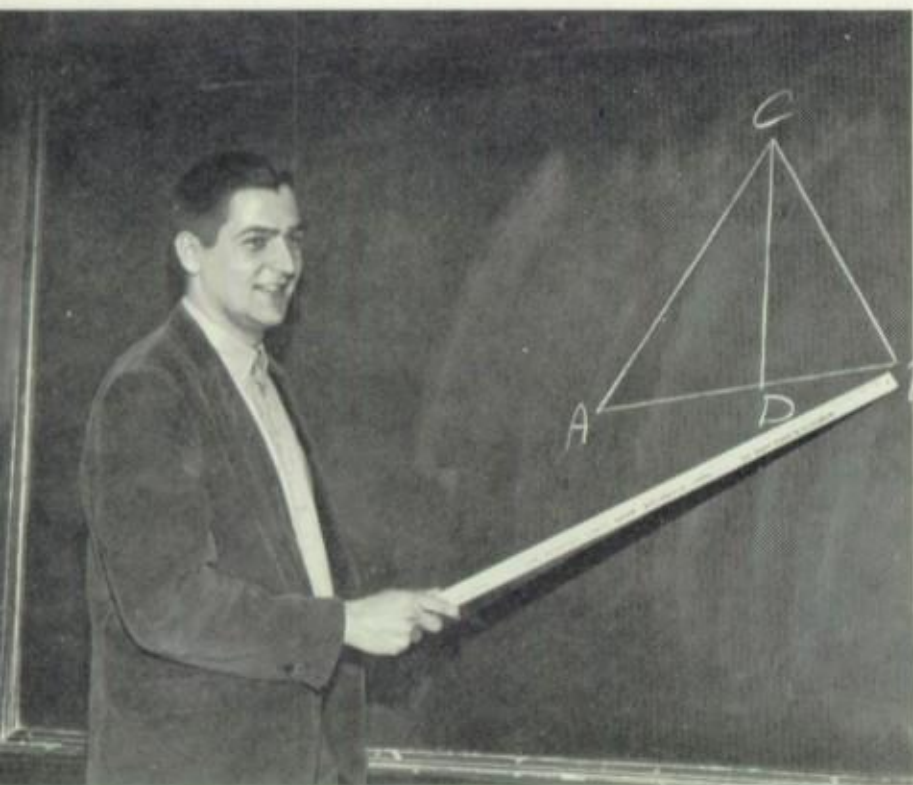


The school librarian, Miss Loretta Rupp, points to a February poster which lists the names of the persons who signed out books. She teaches eighth grade English in addition to serving as librarian. After graduating from Defiance College, Miss Rupp taught at Clyde. She has taken graduate work during the summer at Bowling Green State University. Miss Rupp is a graduate of Pettisville High School. Naturally, as a librarian, she enjoys reading; but she is also interested in bowling, sewing, and painting.

A sight familiar to speech and English students is Mrs. Thelma Rychener sitting at her desk. Mrs. Rychener received her B.S. degree from Wittenburg College and she has taken considerable work at Bowling Green State University both before and since her graduation. Her name also belongs on the list of P.H.S. graduates who have returned as teachers. Prior to her ten years of teaching at Pettisville, she substituted at Wauseon. As senior adviser, she is involved with the many activities and decisions of this group. She is also sponsor of the Honor Society and arranges the impressive initiation programs. Mrs. Rychener's interests are many and varied. Probably the first one is her children. She not only is the mother of five but also has one small grandson. She also enjoys traveling and playing the organ at church.



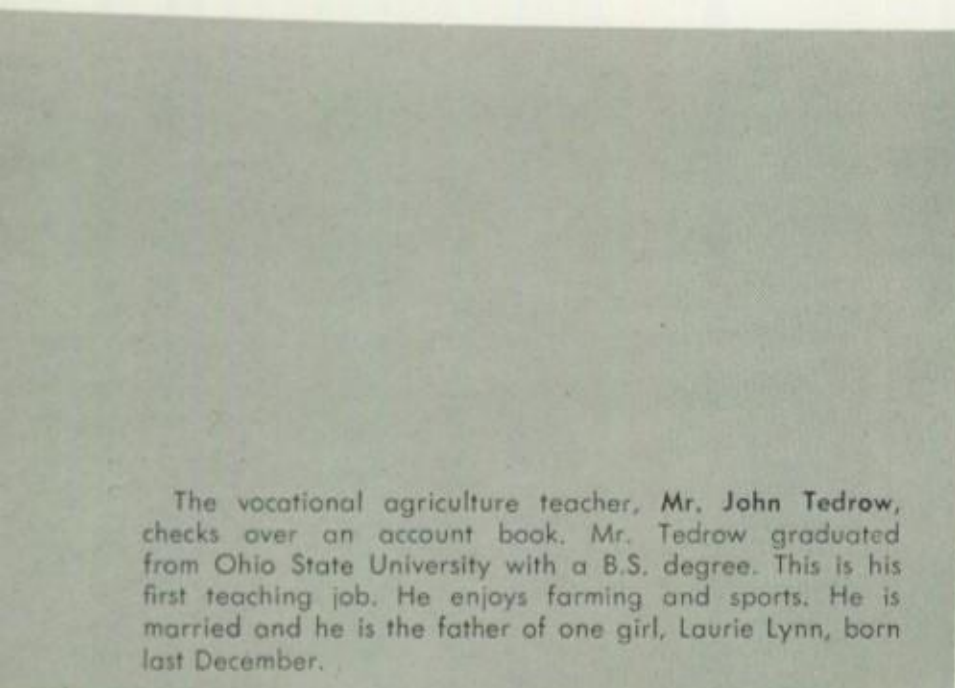
Mrs. Suzanne Nance directs a gym class with the aid of her whistle. Before teaching here, Mrs. Nance taught three years at Swanton after studying at Bowling Green. She introduced many innovations in her classes, such as trampoline instruction. Mrs. Nance, her husband Jim, and their son Lowell are looking forward to an addition to their family in June. For that reason, she stopped teaching before the end of the year. The Nances live in Pettisville but plan to move near Ayersville in July. Reading, sewing, swimming, golfing, and sports in general interest Mrs. Nance.



Mr. Danford Sander, the local math teacher, shows his geometry class how to work a problem. He has taught here for four years. Mr. Sander graduated from Defiance College, and he completed the work for his master's degree at Bowling Green State University during this school year. His main recreational interests include hunting and fishing. Mr. Sander is married and has a one-year-old son, Douglas Scott. The Sanders live in Bryan.



Mr. Richard Selgo points out various countries to one of his social studies classes. Before coming here four years ago, Mr. Selgo taught one year at Port Clinton after receiving his B.A. degree in health and physical education from Baldwin-Wallace College. Later he operated a bowling alley in Phoenix, Arizona. Sports are his main interest. He teaches physical education, coaches the baseball team, and the freshman basketball team, enjoys bowling, and is in charge of the local summer athletic activities. Mr. Selgo, his wife, and three sons—Dick, Jim, and Tim—live in Pettisville.



The vocational agriculture teacher, Mr. John Tedrow, checks over an account book. Mr. Tedrow graduated from Ohio State University with a B.S. degree. This is his first teaching job. He enjoys farming and sports. He is married and he is the father of one girl, Laurie Lynn, born last December.



This picture notes one of Miss Ruth K. Wyse's many interests—travel. She has traveled in Europe several times and this slide of the Parthenon on the Acropolis at Athens was taken on her world tour in 1962. With her many slides and experiences, she helps add interest to the Latin 1 and 2 and English 11 and 12 classes. She also teaches journalism and is the adviser of the Lariat and Pet Echoes. Miss Wyse is a graduate of Oberlin College and has graduate credits from five different universities. She majored in French but has taught it only a few years in her 36 years at Pettisville. Some of Miss Wyse's other hobbies are reading, sewing, interior decorating, and swimming.



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HIGH SCHOOL CLASSES

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Seniors



Carl Ayers
Dianne Blosser
Thomas Buehrer

Richard Nafziger
Stanley Nafziger
Marlin Nofziger
Verlyn Nofziger



Roger Bunke
Ernest Disbrow
Lillie Grieser

Roger Price
Allen Richer
Barbara Roth
Alan Rupp



Larry Hartman
Lamar Hull
Donald Kauffman

Jean Ann Rupp
Dallas Rychener
Gloria Belle Rychener
Duane Sauder



Phillip Kauffman
Susan King
Doreen Lantz

John Schrock
Diane Seiler
Duane Short
Barbara Sigg



Mary Helen Liechty
Carol Nafziger
Jeanne Nafziger

Gloria Wagler
Jacqueline Weber
Shirley Welly
Mrs. Thelma Rychener, Adviser
Not Pictured: Robert Garza





Back Row: Delbert King, Larry Rupp, John Nofziger, Max Rufenacht, George Liechty, Jerry Frey, Maurice Murry. **Second Row:** Sue Ann Ray, Dorothy Andre, Richard Nafziger, Richard Short, Allen Leininger, Kathleen Gearig, Augustin Estrada. **Third Row:** John

Hartman, Artemisa Cerda, Kris Lantz, Thelma Nafziger, Ruth Liechty, Santos Rodriguez. **Front Row:** Patty Nofziger, Gloria Trejo, Rosemary Augustine, Anna Belle King, Linda Miller, Mary Jane Pfund.

Junior Class



The first big event of the year for the juniors was receiving class rings, which had been ordered the year before.

In the fall the members of the class had a trash drive to raise money to boost the balance of their treasury. Just before Easter they also had a car wash and bake sale.

"A Connecticut Yankee in King Arthur's Court" was chosen as the class play. Since there were only twelve characters in the play, some of the smaller parts were double-cast, and the play was given two nights with these characters alternating. This was the first play to be done this way.

The last, but certainly not the least, event of the busy year was the junior-senior banquet in May. The class enjoyed being led by their president, George Liechty, and adviser, Mrs. Roberta Mayer.



Back Row: Junior Moden, Tom Rupp, Marvin Figy, Phil Moden. **Middle Row:** Richard Peters, Mike Rychener, Mrs. Mayer. **Front Row:** Esther Baer, Charlene Rupp, Joyce Nafziger.

Back Row: Keith Nofziger, Ellis Nafziger, Ronnie Rice. **Middle Row:** Mary Keller, Jane Rychener, Janet Hettesheimer. **Front Row:** Stephen Rice, Randy Beck.



Back Row: Mike Roth, David Frey, Don Blosser, Dean Schmucker, Vinton J. Andrews, Roger Nafziger, Kenton Detter, Tony Rodriguez, Jim King. **Second Row:** Jerry Nofziger, Bonnie Meyer, Tom Short, Joanne Roth, Eric Rupp, Rachel Nafziger, Manuel Martinez,

Pam Rupp. **Third Row:** Tom Miller, Marlene Gerig, Salvador Estrada, Kathleen Miller, Betty King, Bill Miller, Jean Kay Rufenacht. **Front Row:** Allen Smith, Sherry Schnitkey, Judy Schmitz, Lucy Miller, Beth Ann Rupp, Virginia Avina.

Sophomore Class

After the sophomores had settled down in their studies, they organized and carried out many class projects to aid their financial status. A car wash in the fall is one example of their activities.

The social side of their year was limited to a party they gave to the freshmen at Halloween.

The ordering of class rings is an event eagerly awaited by all sophomores and it was no less important to this class than to other sophomores. The rings are to come in the fall of their junior year.

Mr. Douglas Rychener, adviser, and David Frey, president, worked together to organize many of the class activities.



Back Row: Bob Wagler, Norene Rychener, Joe Nafziger. **Middle Row:** Karen Stuckey, Chuck Rychener, Mr. Rychener. **Front Row:** Connie Hull, Kathy Grieser, Lonna Graber.

Back Row: Walter Sigg, Ray Wright, Dale Schroeder, Richard Garza. **Middle Row:** Jill Lawrence, Charlene Reynolds, Judy Dunning. **Front Row:** Velma King, Estella Trejo, Ruthann Beck.





Back Row: Bart Jones, Russell Leatherman, Larry Schultz, Carole Knapp, Bruce Yoder, Arthur Gonzales. **Second Row:** John Wagler, Lucinda Zaerr, Larry Gerig, Teddy Dunning, Kevin Gautsche, Judy

Somers. Third Row: Sandy Stuckey, Kathy Nafziger, Robert Short, Beverly Moden, Barbara Carr. **Front Row:** Joyce Ruetz, Connie Baer, Rose Suydam, Carma Rupp, David Nafziger.



Back Row: David Emmons, Mary Louise Kauffman, Walter Altman, Larry Smith, Loyal Briskey, Philip Blosser, John Sauder. **Second Row:** Luana Wyse, Jerry Huber, Doug Miller, Jim Grime, Julia

Freshman Class

The freshmen, for the first time in their school years, were able to choose some of their own subjects and to join various organizations. The class president was Luana Wyse, and adviser, Mr. Richard Selgo.

The freshmen gave the annual party to the sophomores in March. A movie and a form of hootenanny served as entertainment. Their activities also included an ice-skating party in November.

Odelia Vela, a new member of the class, died during the first semester of the school year.

Back Row: Mr. Selgo, Bruce Rychener, Barney Frey, Jane D. Rupp. **Middle Row:** Bob First, Rachel Andre, Paul Liechty. **Front Row:** Elaine Figy, Janie Garcia, Janie Rupp.

Rodriguez, Ethel Grieser, Nina Keezer. Front Row: Linda Rodriguez, Patsy Nofziger, Odilia Vela, Lupe Ramon, John Kauffman, Jeanette Eicher.





Back Row: Keith Hull, Zeno Miller, Donna Richer, Pat Blosser, Dale Hartman, Donna Genter, Linda Klopfenstein. **Second Row:** Beverly Gearig, Marilyn Nafziger, Marvin Leatherman, Jerry Meyer, Shir-

ley Frey, Stephanie Miller. **Third Row:** Jeanne Nofziger, Bruce Short, Margery Altman, Roger Weber, Eddie Nafziger. **Front Row:** Oscar Ramos, Chris Rychener, Simon Cerda, Phillip Avina.

Grade Eight

Parties are always fun and those held by the eighth grade were no exception. They celebrated both Halloween and Valentine Day with plenty of fun and food.

Each boy was responsible this year for a project in industrial arts. Among the articles made of wood were magazine stands and flower holders.

Tom Wagler and Mr. Arthur Grafton were chosen to be president and adviser, respectively, of this class for the year.

Back Row: Carolyn DeWit, Lonnie Rychener, Marilyn Graber, Roger Moden. **Second Row:** Mollie Fenner, Becky Liechty, Mary Lou Rodriguez. **Front Row:** LaRita Figy, Margaret Rice, Verle Rufenacht.



Back Row: Mr. Grafton, Edward Waidelich, Joyce Eicher, Keith Miller, Verlen Rufenacht, Thelma Beck. **Second Row:** Judy Rufenacht, Mary Sue Rupp, Junior Dunning, Stanley Grieser, Randy

King, James Short. **Front Row:** Ramiro Estrada, Tom Wagler, Richard Richer, Kermit King, Angela Rice, Becky Huber.





Back Row: Anda Stamm, Greg King, Dennis Blosser, Norman Riegsecker, Lonnie Roth, Jim Lantz, Corwin Riegsecker, Rex Beck, Lucy Martinez, Miss Cron. **Middle Row:** Cara Lou Aschliman, Rosie Ramon, Kathleen King, Neil Rupp, Steve Lauber, Alene Nafziger,

Gloria Martinez, Eddie Roth, Linda King, Lynette Rufenacht. **Front Row:** Duane McConnell, Kenny Frey, Cathy Dunning, Steve Grieser, Linda Ramos, Diana Smith, Phillip Frey, Mario Estrada, Freddie Rychener.

Grade Seven

The seventh grade, having chosen Jim Lantz as their president and Miss Grace Cron as adviser, began their year with a scavenger hunt, which took them all over town. They also had a party at Halloween.

In their geography class they were able to broaden their knowledge of the world by having movies on various countries almost every week.

During the basketball season many seventh graders stayed after school to play basketball and cheer their team on to victory. For those boys who did not go out for the team, intramurals offered an opportunity to enjoy playing.

A choir, composed of members of the class, sang at the Christmas program and the winter concert.

Back Row: Laura Suydam, Emerson Nafziger, Keith Moden, Karen Roth, Jim Henschen, Jane Kauffman, Duane Yoder, Barbara Briskey, Carma Aeschliman. **Middle Row:** Gloria Garcia, Hector Arroyo, Tony Wyse, Charles Nafziger, Danny King, Sharon Hartman,

Steve Graffice, Sandra Buehrer, Jerry Reynolds. **Front Row:** Bobby Mansfield, Lauranne DeWit, Rafael Leija, Leroy Nafziger, Renee Rupp, Jim Rufenacht, Jo Dimon, Gene Nafziger, Richard Carr.



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ELEMENTARY CLASSES

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Back Row: Brad Miller, Verlin Nafziger, Robert Rupp, Jack Lawrence, Laura Jane Roth, Mary Jo Kruse, Joyce Liechty, Judy Riegsecker, Mrs. Henschen. **Front Row:** David Somers, David Roth,

Robert Aschliman, John DeWit, Ann Rupp, Ardis Riegsecker, Elaine Leatherman, Lorraine Frey.

Grade Six—Henschen

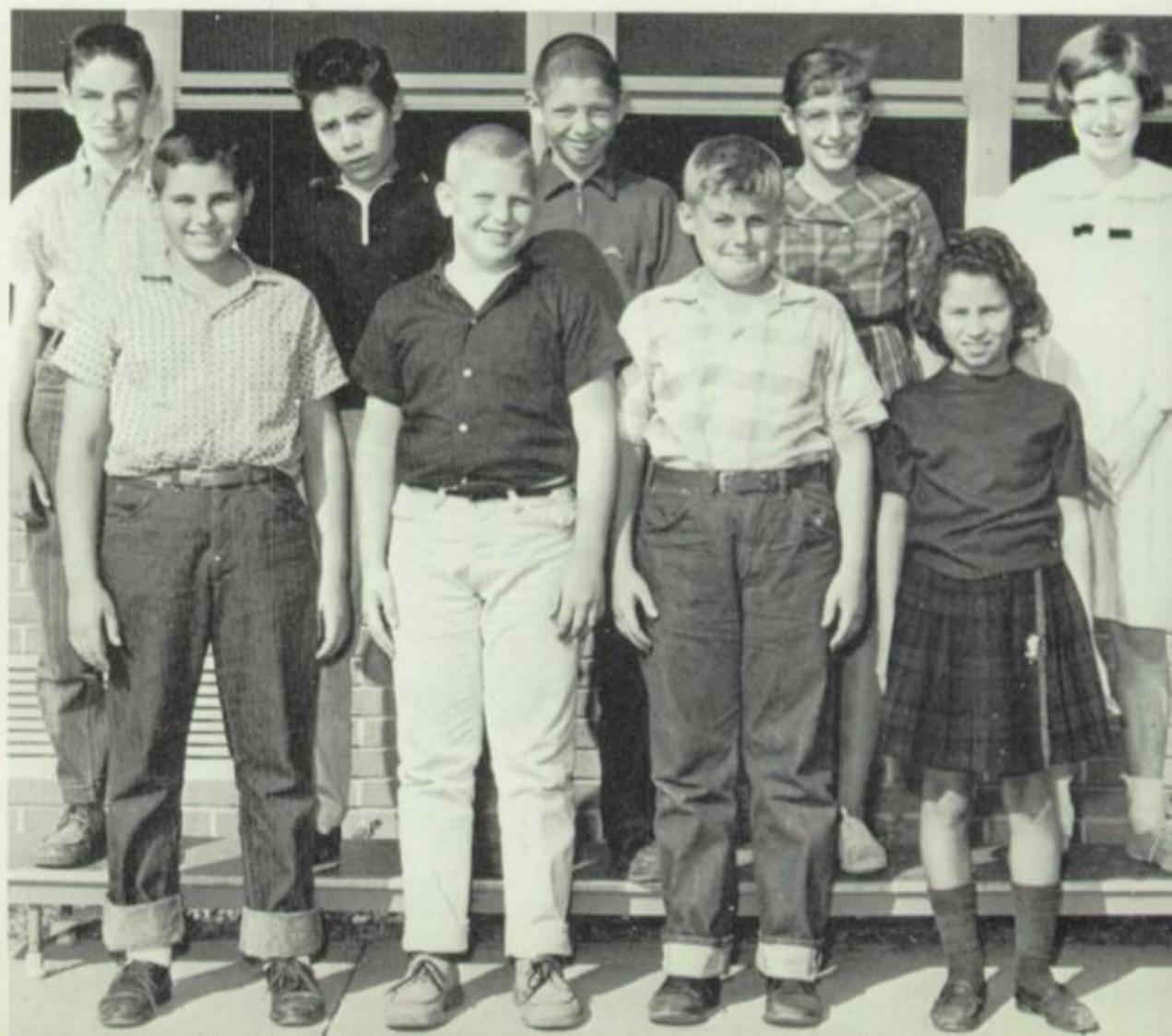
The sixth grade under the direction of Mrs. Esther Henschen had an eventful year. One of the important events was the operetta, "Lazy Town," given by the fifth and sixth graders. The pupils from their section of the sixth grade who had leading roles were Joyce Liechty as Mama Roozee and Ann Rupp as the witch. The rest of the pupils were in the choruses.

Toward the end of the year these sixth graders constructed a replica of a castle of the Middle Ages. They identified and learned the names of the parts of the castle.

They also published a class newspaper, the Pettisville Times.

Later on in the year, the pupils made flags of all the countries of the world and then put them on display in their room.

Back Row: Stuart Schrock, Richard Gonzales, Randy Leininger, Jane Eicher, Debra Keezer. **Front Row:** Eugene Short, Luther Gautsche, Dean Nafziger, Mary Helen Ramos. Not on Picture: Jose Jarquin.





Back Row: Tony Burkholder, Kurt Weber, Eugene Seiler, Gary Leatherman, Donna Hartman, Joette Altman, Richard Reeser, David Augustine, Mr. Yoder. Front Row: Jan Stamm, Billy Riddle, Sharon

Fowler, Nevin Miller, Deanna First, Cheryl Thierry, Judy Schnitkey, Julia Short.

Grade Six—Yoder

Back Row: Kathy Frey, Mike Armstrong, Beverly Miller, Marlin Gearig. Middle Row: Nona Britsch, Dick Rupp, Ron Grime. Front Row: Betty Estrada, Charlene Yoder, Mary Carr.



The highlight of the year for the pupils of Mr. Vernon Yoder's sixth grade was the operetta, "Lazy Town," in which they participated. Among the students in this section to receive important parts were Cheryl Thierry, Marlin Gearig, and Tony Burkholder.

Their class also gave a play at the beginning of the year to the other section of the sixth grade. It was entitled "Some Witches are Real."

These sixth graders enjoyed publishing two newspapers, the Pettisville Gazette and the Pettisville Times.

Among the classroom projects which the pupils liked was the reading laboratory in which they were able to test and improve their reading skills.

Of course, they all enjoyed the parties celebrated throughout the year.

Grade Five— Bowers



The fifth graders in Mrs. Valetta Bowers' section enjoyed especially their weekly spelling contests. One bulletin board was reserved the entire year to record scores. In the fall there was a large tree on the board on which the pupils placed paper bag owls each time they had perfect scores. Later on, the scene was changed and snowmen were put in the correct categories showing each one's score.

The children took part in the operetta "Lazy Town," which was a joint presentation of the fifth and sixth grades. It was on May 1. All of the children participated in the performance, which was directed by Mrs. Beverly Ernst.

For Valentine Day everyone enjoyed making valentines for his parents. Each one put his picture inside. The class voted to decide whose was the best. Edward Baer won the contest.

Back Row: Mrs. Bowers, Sue Ann Rychener, Romeo Rodriguez, Dennis Rittichier. **Middle Row:** Sarah Rupp, Judy Oyer, Tim Huber, Bonnie Double. **Front Row:** Linda Zaerr, Debra Stuckey, LuAnn Zaerr.

Back Row: Vicky Garza, Ronnie Rupp, John Moden. **Middle Row:** JoAnn Liechty, Bonnie King, Billy Mansfield. **Front Row:** Julia Miller, Edward Baer, Leora Schultz. Not on Picture: Horacio Jarquin, Johnny Moreno, Richard Seiler.

Back Row: Johnny Martinez, Denene Fenner, Sharon Suydam. **Middle Row:** Ronald Gerig, Odilia Rodriguez, Steven Miller. **Front Row:** Laverne Wright, Eddie Keezer, Edgar Nafziger.

Grade Five— Rychener

Many activities highlighted the year for Mrs. Mildred Rychener's fifth grade class. Included among them were parties at Christmas and Valentine Day with the usual exchange of gifts and lover's notes.

The children enjoyed a number of art projects. They worked with papier mache, creating their own puppet heads. They enjoyed making glazed clay dishes to give to their mothers for Christmas. The dishes were made in the shape of leaves. The pattern they used was the hollyhock leaf.

During the year the class memorized a number of poems. Later, they learned to compose their own. Some of them were unusually interesting.

Every Saturday morning many of the boys enjoyed basketball practice under the supervision of Coach Richard Selgo. These small Birds did well in the games they played.



Back Row: Mrs. Rychener, Ronnie Roth, Jane Fricke, Nancy Graber. **Middle Row:** Pansy King, Allen Lantz, Leslie Miller. **Front Row:** Darlene Short, Rudy Gonzales, Luanne Nofziger.

Back Row: Jerry Reinking, Grace Jarquin, Candace Hoste, Janna Nafziger. **Middle Row:** Tom Riegsecker, Dick Selgo, Max Wyse. **Front Row:** Curtis Wagler, Sylvia Correa, Betty Kruse.

Back Row: John Avina, Laurel Moden, Robert Fenton, Judy Double. **Middle Row:** Lulu Siller, Corwin Rufenacht, Freddie Keezer. **Front Row:** Charles Carr, Dwight Smith, James Dunning.



Back Row: Shirley Richer, Bruce Beck, Yvonne Rupp. Middle Row: George Nafziger, Randel Grieser, Ricky Rupp. Front Row: Valentino Rodriguez, Jerry Rice, Neil Smith. Not on Picture: David Nofziger.

The pupils of Mrs. Vera Cooley, for the first time in their school life, donned gym clothing and had separate classes for girls and boys with regular physical education teachers. Mrs. Beverly Ernst also came to their room twice a week for music.

The children enjoyed sharing local and world affairs, reading maps and graphs, experimenting in science, and learning the necessary multiplication facts by playing buzz, zigzag, and crazy spelling.

Every school week came to a close with an art period offering a nice variety of ways for the pupils to use their imaginations. At Christmas time they made a photo tree with the pictures of everyone in their class. They also decorated candles with melted crayons.

The pupils enjoyed reading books and then making small paper books about them. They had a special Book Week in which they gave reports on various kinds of books.

Grade Four— Cooley

Back Row: Mrs. Cooley, Mary Lou Fricke, Mike Leininger, Kevin Miller, Barbara Riegsecker, Susie Hoops, Gary Meyer, Rosa Miller.

Front Row: Leonard Nafziger, Norma Soto, Kerry Altman, Jeff Wallace, Dianne Briskey, Carlos Estrada, Gerald King.





Back Row: Miss Miller, Diane Genter, Daryl Aschliman, Jesse Rodriguez, Delvin Riegsecker, Monica Rupp, Gregory Gautsche, Kenneth Nafziger. Front Row: Richard Rufenacht, Jerry King, Keith

Meyer, Mark Blosser, James Roth, Patty Dunning, Chris Rupp, Rachel Rice.

Grade Four— Miller

The fourth graders of Miss Sadie Miller's class were busy with many projects this year.

One that occupied them for a time was the Paste-up Map contest sponsored by the Farmers and Merchants State Bank of Archbold. The children cut out and pasted the states on an outlined map of the United States. The three best maps were taken to the Farmers and Merchants State Bank in Archbold, where they were judged with other maps from all over the county.

Along with the other parties of the year the children had a special birthday party for Miss Miller in January.

An annual project that the pupils liked was the making of pottery from clay.

Back Row: Vicki King, Jenny Graffice, Mary Beth Wagler, Dorthy Meck. Middle Row: Julian Rodriguez, Thomas Schrock, Richard Mansfield. Front Row: Jeffrey Nafziger, Sally Miller, Lois Eby.





Back Row: Amy Rychener, Scott Wyse, Max Fenton, Roger Nafziger, Debra Miller. Front Row: Audrey Grieser, Steven Kauffman, Felix Soto, Jenny Wallace, Risë Burkholder.

Back Row: Mrs. Graf, Nicky Avina, Daniel Bruner. Middle Row: Rosendo Siller, Carma Fricke, Michael Dunning. Front Row: Rebecca Frey, Peggy Hoops.

Grade Three—Graf



Mrs. Marlene Graf's third grade especially enjoyed working with plays, puppet shows, and movies, which the children acted out themselves.

Along with the other parties celebrated during the year, the children had a Valentine box contest with their Valentine party. In the spring an Easter egg hunt was enjoyed by the children in addition to other seasonal activities.

Among classroom projects, the pupils studied a unit on Indians. They made clay objects and Indian murals.

Back Row: Janet Oyer, Mark Nofziger, David Moden, Joetta Riegsecker, Anita Riegsecker, Debra First, Robert Fowler. Front Row: Terry Lantz, Dawn Spengler, Andrew Rice, Annette Nafziger, Craig Rufenacht, Ricky Schultz. Not on Picture: Margarita Jarquin.





Back Row: Amelia Rodriguez, Diane Grime, Ray Garcia, Edward Frey, Conrad Beck. **Front Row** Jane Aschliman, Dolores Estrada, Susan Buehrer, Steven Frey, Roberto Correa.

Grade Three— Sullivan

One of the activities of Mrs. Shirley Sullivan's class was making an Indian village to illustrate the Indian stories in their reading books. During November everyone helped to make a scene about the first Thanksgiving. For Christmas they made plaques for their mothers and fathers.

During the year they also put on several plays about books the children had read.

Back Row: Mrs. Sullivan, Dee Ann Miller, Charlotte Nafziger. **Middle Row:** Kathy Miller, Robert Nafziger, Angela Jarquin. **Front Row:** Karen Hull, Rodney King.



Back Row: Timothy Nofziger, Pamela Wanemacher, Carma Riegsecker, Richard Suydam, Jack Oyer, Gary Rupp, Lonnie Wyse. **Front Row:** Henry Ramos, Cheryl Nofziger, Paul Smith, Wendell Sauder, John King, Reggie Riegsecker.





Back Row: Samuel Frey, Jane Grieser, Marlin Gerig, Peter Eicher, Mrs. Holland. Middle Row: Marlene Genter, Delvin Rychener, Brent Miller. Front Row: Barbara Fenton, Sandra Riegsecker, Randy Rupp.

Mrs. Dorothy Holland's second grade had an unusual project this year. The children helped to plan and prepare a tape which was sent to another second grade in Saigon, Vietnam. Plans were made to exchange tapes earlier in the year between Mrs. Holland and her sister, who teaches the second grade in the American school in Saigon.

Included on the tape were songs, a play, a school reading, and stories. Each child was used in some way on the tape. To accompany the tape, the children sent art work which they thought their friends by tape might enjoy.

Of course, second graders have more to do than make tapes. They have much to learn. In addition to the regular studies, the children learned where their money comes from and how it is made in various mints in the country.

Grade Two—Holland

Back Row: Berta Cepeda, Jane Roth, Norman Windisch, Julia Nafziger, Donald Meck, Duane Price, Mike Stuckey, Vicki Dimon, Bobby Miller. Front Row: Marlene King, Martin Ferris, Stanlee Mc-

Connell, Preston Yoder, John Altman, Donna Roth, Rex Rufenacht, Lowell Rice.



Miss Janice Nafziger's second grade celebrated Thanksgiving by visiting a farm to see how chickens are raised. The children saw first hand how a modern farm of this type is operated.

Each week during the year, a certain group of pupils served as helpers to their teacher by working to keep their room neat and clean.



Back Row: Tommy Davis, Neil Rupp, Ronald Rittichier, Karen Moden. Middle Row: Merna Aeschliman, Randy Miller, Larry Murphy. Front Row: Susan Fowler, Alonna Jean Gautsche.

Grade Two—Nafziger

Back Row: Miss Nafziger, Terry Aeschliman, Douglas Carr, Jerry Miller, Junior Cerda, Susan Yoder, Sandra Grieser, Tony Rodriguez, Junior Frey. Front Row: Sandra Meyer, Neil Sauder, Beverly

Frey, Carolyn Smith, John Huber, Wanda Rupp, Rickey Short, Remona Dunning, Norma Jean Schrock, Gordon Quillet. Not on Picture: Lila Rice.





Back Row: Mrs. Lindley, Kevin Beck, Angie Nafziger, Chuckie Schmucker, Janie Navarro. Middle Row: David Eicher, Janet Hoops, Jimmy Selgo, John Kruse, Mark Bruner, Emelie DeWit. Front Row: Frankie Ramos, Richie Miller, Brad Rufenacht, Victor Siller, Tony Carr. Not on Picture: Debbie Grieser.

Grade One— Lindley

Back Row: Sandra Fenton, Christina Rodriguez, Jody Roth, Barbara Jo Keezer, Danny Cerda, Billy Suydam. Front Row: Kim Short, Jimmy Crawford, Krist King, Doneta Riegsecker, Vengie Estrada.

At the beginning of the year Mrs. Florence Lindley's first graders made an extensive study about fall including collecting leaves, painting fall scenes, and taking walks. The children made witch, ghost, and cat masks for Halloween in October. At Thanksgiving time they learned about Pilgrims and pioneer life.

The children had a Christmas party and gift exchange in December. They also made snowmen for the bulletin boards.

In the spring the decorations for their room were based on the theme, Signs of Spring. The pupils enjoyed a unit on the circus, too.





Back Row: Denise First, David Hoste, Eugene Young, Mary Lou Meck, Ty Weber, Scott Rychener, Mrs. Springer. **Middle Row:** Terry Rufenacht, Jeanne Rupp, Celeste Sigg, Avel Leija, Steven Nofziger. **Front Row:** Carol Nagel, Max Aeschliman, Billy Fricke, Jenny Lawrence.

The pupils in Mrs. Helen Springer's first grade learned many interesting things. They learned the names of various sea shells and studied the animals that make their homes in them. They also learned about famous men like George Washington and Abraham Lincoln.

The first graders enjoyed many parties for various occasions—Christmas, Valentine Day, and Easter. The children made their own papier-mâché eggs to go along with the Easter season.

Their grade library was increased by a number of new books.

Grade One— Springer

Back Row: Kerry Beck, Peter King, Jeffrey Leininger, Dougie King, Mark Wanemacher. **Front Row:** Debbie Nofziger, Estela Cepeda, Mary Siller, Natalie Smith, Viola Gonzales. Not on Picture: John Jarquin, Cindy Johnson.



Kindergarten East—Porter

Mrs. Florence Porter helped the children in her class have a happy, eventful first year of school.

At the beginning of the year they started a continuous project in which they learned about the relations of the past to the present by bringing pictures and relics from the period they were studying.

The mothers gave the children parties on important occasions, such as Halloween and Valentine Day.



TOP PICTURE—Back Row: Reed Aeschliman, Frankie Ramon, Roxanne Mock, Beth Ann Grieser. **Middle Row:** Melanie Schnitkey, Robby Rupp, Janet Riegsecker. **Front Row:** Star Benavidez, Lupe Ramos, Martha Carr.

MIDDLE PICTURE—Back Row: Jimmy Trudel, Mildred Frey, Kenny Gruenhagen, Randy J. Stuckey. **Middle Row:** Noe Benavidez, Terry Schmucker, Ramon Garcia. **Front Row:** Julia Wyse, Ronna Riegsecker, John Crawford.

BOTTOM PICTURE—Back Row: John Liechty, Philip Nofziger, Kurt Nofziger, Mary Ann Mansfield. **Middle Row:** Lloyd Eby, Nick King, David Fenton. **Front Row:** Charlie Frey, Jon Wyse, Kent Rychener. **Not on Picture:** Timmy Selgo, Randy Sauder, Melissa Johnson.



Kindergarten West—Porter

TOP PICTURE—Back Row: Linda McQuillin, Ronald Nafziger, Gloria Rufenacht, Rickey Navarro, Mrs. Porter. Middle Row: Mark Schleuter, Douglas Thierry, Brenda Wallace. Front Row: Carol Smith, Douglas Smith, Marge Davis.

MIDDLE PICTURE—Back Row: Dean Genter, Neal Burkholder, Marvin Meck, Tommy Uribes. Middle Row: Danny Wagler, Scott Quillet, George Cepeda. Front Row: Jesse Leija, Ronnie Double, Keith Eash.

BOTTOM PICTURE—Back Row: Jay Brown, Marilyn Schrock, Tommy Beck, Jan Bernath. Middle Row: Lisa McLaughlin, Kandy Lantz, Jimmy Aschliman. Front Row: Cindy Ramos, Diane Rupp. Not on Picture: Deisy Soto.



Back Row: Loren Davis, Sharon Hoy, Mike Graber, Danny Mull, Miss Spiess. **Middle Row:** Mike Martinez, Mike Alvina, Rosie Trejo, Barbara Johnson. **Front Row:** Robin Dominique, Joan Double, Lori

Ann Tipton, Marian Jarquin J. Roger Double. Not on Picture: Jerry Bucher, Alfred Ruiz, Lydia Abrigo.

Special Class—Spiess

Most of the high school students are familiar with the pupils of Miss Alta Spiess' special class because their room is located on the first floor of the high school section. The students have to be careful when going through the first floor hall so as not to knock

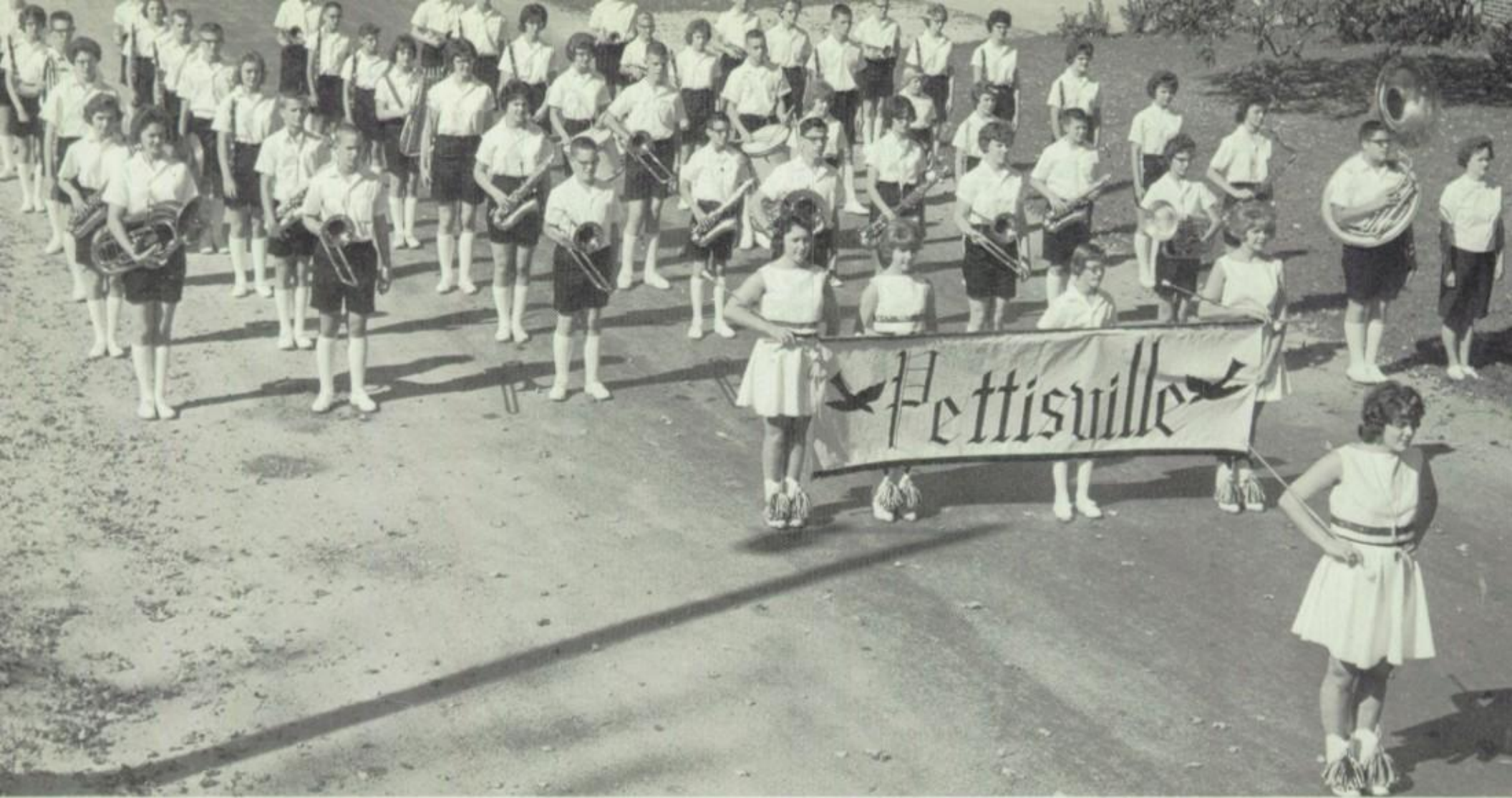
down one of the small members of this class.

When asked what they enjoyed most this year, the children usually answered that it was coloring in their new coloring books. They also liked the parties, especially those given for the children's birthdays.

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Band

Left Row: Eric Rupp, Sue Ann Ray, Beth Ann Rupp, Allen Leininger, Jackie Weber, Renee Rupp, Barbara Roth. **Second Row:** Allen Smith, Joyce Eicher, Jerry Huber, Chuck Rychener, Lucinda Zaerr, Tony Wyse, Bob First. **Third Row:** Duane Yoder, Neil Rupp, Jane Eicher, Becky Liechty, Dorothy Andre, Barbara Sigg, Corky Rieg-

secker. **Fourth Row:** Mike Rychener, Bruce Yoder, Joanne Roth, Luana Wyse, Jim Henschen, Brad Miller, Mike Roth. **Fifth Row:** Bart Jones, Kurt Weber, Jeanette Eicher, Bruce Rychener, Becky Huber, Jill Lawrence, Rachel Andre. **Sixth Row:** David Emmons, Donna Genter, Larry Schultz, Ann Rupp, Janie Rupp, Jim Lantz, Laura Roth. **Right Row:** Dave Rupp, Karen Stuckey, Jane D. Rupp, Stephanie Miller, Doreen Lantz, Karen Roth, John Hartman, Miss Cron. Majorettes: Diane Seiler, Mary Sue Rupp, Leslie Miller, Sherry Schnitkey. Head Majorette: Jean Ann Rupp.

Karen Stuckey won a superior rating with her clarinet solo at district contest. Mike Rychener accompanied her.



The trumpet quartet received a superior rating at district contest and a good rating at state contest.

Allen Smith, Mike Rychener, David Emmons, Bart Jones.



The brass sextet played at the mid-winter concert after it had rated a superior in district contest.

Bart Jones, David Emmons, Diane Seiler, John Hartman, Bob First, Mike Roth.



The pep band helped add spirit to home basketball, when it played the Star Spangled Banner before the varsity game and other numbers at half-time of the main game. It also played at the athletic banquet.

Back Row: Luana Wyse, Bruce Rychener, Mike Rychener, Eric Rupp, Allen Smith, David Emmons, Bart Jones, Duane Yoder, Bruce Yoder. **Middle Row:** Mary Sue Rupp, Janie Rupp, Donna Genter, Lucinda Zaerr, Jane D. Rupp, Stephanie Miller, Beth Ann Rupp, Jim Lantz, Renee Rupp. **Front Row:** Becky Liechty, John Hartman, Rachel Andre, Jim Henschen, Bob First, Corwin Riegsecker, Karen Roth.



The band, under the direction of Miss Grace Cron, had a busy year. In the autumn it marched in the parade at Defiance before a college football game, at which time it won a second-place trophy in its class. At district contest in Bowling Green, the band received a superior rating. It was rated excellent at state

contest. During the school year this group played at the concerts and for commencement. The band members, in the picture, are shown wearing their summer uniforms. They plan to play at the local ice cream social, the chicken festival at Delta, Cedar Point, and the state fair at Columbus this summer.

Jackie Weber received a superior rating at district contest and an excellent rating at state for her soprano solo. Her accompanist was Mary Helen Liechty.

The trumpet trio played at district and state contests where it received superior and excellent ratings, respectively. Eric Rupp, Mike Rychener, Dave Rupp.





BASSES. Back Row: Jerry Frey, Don Kauffman, George Liechty, Larry Rupp, Stanley Nafziger, Dallas Rychener, Phil Kauffman, John Nofziger, Ellis Nafziger, Duane Sauder. Middle Row: Kenton Dettter, Roger Nafziger, Phil Moden, Tom Rupp, Allen Leininger, Keith Nofziger, Joe Nafziger. Front Row: Jerry Nofziger, Eric Rupp, Richard Nafziger, Alan Rupp, Marlin Nofziger, Allen Richer.

Senior Choir



TENORS. Back Row: John Schrock, Chuck Rychener, Verlyn Nofziger, John Hartman, Carol Nafziger, Rachel Nafziger. Front Row: Dave Rupp, Mike Rychener, Allen Smith, David Nafziger.



Girls' Glee Club

Back Row: Joanne Roth, Kris Lantz, Janet Hettesheimer, Susan King, Jackie Weber, Jane D. Rupp, Kathy Gearig, Jane Rychener, Barbara Roth, Rachel Andre, Lucinda Zaerr, Mary Kauffman, Mary

Helen Liechty, accompanist. **Middle Row:** Jeanette Eicher, Patsy Nofziger, Judy Schmitz, Dorothy Andre, Betty King, Rachel Nafziger, Jean Ann Rupp, Pam Rupp, Elaine Figy, Kathy Nafziger, Ruth Liechty. **Front Row:** Jean Kay Rufenacht, Sherry Schnitkey, Marlene Gerig, Karen Stuckey, Ethel Grieser, Luana Wyse, Kathy Grieser, Esther Baer, Beth Ann Rupp, Janie Rupp.

SOPRANOS. **Back Row:** Gloria Wagler, Artemisa Cerda, Joanne Roth, Kris Lantz, Susan King, Jackie Weber, Janet Hettesheimer, Thelma Nafziger. **Middle Row:** Lillie Grieser, Marlene Gerig, Lonna Graber, Betty King, Joyce Nafziger, Pam Rupp. **Front Row:** Donna Plassman, Mary Jane Pfund, Jean Kay Rufenacht, Barbara Sigg, Charlene Rupp, Diane Seiler.



The senior choir performed at all the school concerts and furnished the music for the speech class Easter choralogue.

The girls' glee club sang at the school concerts and baccalaureate. It rated superior at both district and state contests. The girls participated with the senior choir in the Christmas cantata.

The junior choir appeared in only one concert during the year, the mid-winter one. They sang three numbers. The primary purpose of this group's work is preparation of junior high students for senior choir.

All these groups were directed by Miss Grace E. Cron.

ALTOS. **Back Row:** Mary Helen Liechty, Jane Rychener, Kathy Gearig, Dorothy Andre, Barbara Roth, Mary Keller. **Middle Row:** Jean Ann Rupp, Sherry Schnitkey, Doreen Lantz, Judy Schmitz, Karen Stuckey, Ruth Liechty. **Front Row:** Beth Ann Rupp, Kathy Grieser, Esther Baer, Gloria Belle Rychener, Jill Lawrence, Jeanne Nafziger.



Back Row: Phillip Frey, Kenny Frey, Jim Lantz, Lonnie Rychener, Danny King, Chris Rychener, Charles Nafziger, Steve Graffice, Jim Henschen, Emerson Nafziger, Keith Moden, Leroy Nafziger, Corwin Riegsecker, Steve Grieser, Duane McConnell, Freddie Rychener. **Second Row:** Verle Rufenacht, Eddie Roth, Verlen Rufenacht, Margery Altman, Jane Kauffman, Linda Klopfenstein, Jeanne Nafziger, Stephanie Miller, Donna Richer, Duane Yoder, Tony Wyse, Rafael Leija, Jim Rufenacht, Lonnie Roth, Greg King. **Third Row:** Mary Sue Rupp, Angela Rice, Mary Lou Rodriguez, Margaret Rice, Beverly Gearig, Donna Genter, Shirley Frey, Pat Blosser, Marilyn Nafziger, Karen Roth, Barbara Briskey, Sandra Buehrer, Eddie

Junior Choir

Waidelich, James Short, Richard Richer, Keith Miller, Randy King. **Front Row:** Becky Huber, LaRita Figy, Linda King, Lynette Rufenacht, Linda Rodriguez, Carolyn DeWit, Marilyn Graber, Becky Liechty, Renée Rupp, Mollie Fenner, Joyce Eicher, Cara Lou Aschliman, Anda Stamm, Alene Nafziger, Kathy King, Judy Rufenacht, Diana Smith.



Back Row: Ellis Nafziger, Jerry Frey, Jane D. Rupp, Dallas Rychener, Diane Seiler, Mr. Lersch. **Second Row:** Bob Wagler, Janet Hettesheimer, Richard Nafziger, Barbara Roth, Marlin Nofziger. **Third Row:** Allen Richer, Janie Rupp, John Nofziger, Verlyn Nofziger, Pam Rupp. **Front Row:** Tom Short, Kathy Grieser, Phillip Avina, Loyal Briskey, Rachel Nafziger.

Student Council

The Student Council acts as the representative of the student body. It is an organization through which all students can have a voice in the policies of the school. Each class sends representatives, the number depending on the grade. Each school organization also is allowed one member. On the last day of school, the student body elects the vice-president from the sophomore class, who as a senior becomes president. The president this year was Verlyn Nofziger, and Executive Head David Lersch served as adviser.



Back Row: Lillie Grieser, Janet Hettesheimer, Kathy Gearig, Neil Rupp, Dave Emmons, Judy Schmitz, Kathy Grieser, Mary Sue Rupp. **Second Row:** Donna Genter, Rachel Andre, Jane D. Rupp, Ethel Grieser, Carma Rupp, Dorothy Andre, Beth Ann Rupp, Jill Lawrence. **Third Row:** Luana Wyse, Becky Huber, Renee Rupp, Jeanne Nofziger, Beverly Gearig, Joanne Roth. **Front Row:** Gloria Wagler, Barbara Roth, Jeanne Nafziger, Kris Lantz, Jackie Weber, Mr. Ray.

Athletic Boosters

The Athletic Boosters were busy this year making money by selling popcorn, candy, and pop at the home basketball games and summer softball games. They decorated the gymnasium for the homecoming game, planned the athletic banquet, and organized the Randy Leininger benefit game. The members went to Toledo University to see a basketball game also during the season. Their president was Jeanne Nafziger and their sponsor was Prin. Mark Ray.



Back Row: Lucinda Zaerr, Rachel Andre, Jane D. Rupp, Carole Knapp, Patsy Nofziger. **Second Row:** Sherry Schnitkey, Beth Ann Rupp, Julia Rodriguez, Janie Rupp, Elaine Figy, Judy Somers. **Third Row:** Diane Blosser, Shirley Welly, Judy Schmitz, Pam Rupp, Janet Hettesheimer, Mrs. Nance. **Front Row:** Luana Wyse, Ethel Grieser, Kathy Grieser, Charlene Rupp, Lillie Grieser, Gloria Wagler.

Girls' Athletic Association

The Girls' Athletic Association planned various interesting activities for their monthly meetings during the school year. One highlight was their co-ed bowling party to which each member invited a boy. The club adviser was Mrs. Suzanne Nance. Mrs. Alita Saunders became sponsor after Mrs. Nance's resignation. The girls planned to spend a day at the Saunders cottage at Devil's Lake, Michigan, early in June.



Back Row: Mrs. Lind, Carma Rupp, Mary Kauffman, Kathleen Miller, Lonna Graber, Kathy Nafziger, Elaine Figy, Gloria Wagler, Charlene Rupp, Patty Nofziger. **Middle Row:** Pam Rupp, Joanne Roth, Betty King, Judy Schmitz, Joyce Nafziger, Thelma Nafziger,

Kim Dimon, Rosemary Augustine, Barbara Sigg, Beth Ann Rupp. **Front Row:** Sherry Schnitkey, Artemisa Cerda, Glora Belle Rychener, Diane Seiler, Jean Ann Rupp.

Future Homemakers

The Pettisville FFA chapter received many high ratings this year. It was superior in district Vo-Ag evaluation. The judging was based on participation and achievements from local to state levels. Duane Sauder, the president, was succeeded in March by Keith Nofziger. Mr. John Tedrow was chapter adviser.

One of the big yearly projects of the Pettisville chapter of the Future Homemakers of America is being responsible for the coat check at basketball games. At the biennial FHA banquet, the girls used the theme of April Showers. With Mrs. Rosemary Lind, their adviser, they enjoyed a field trip to Toledo. Glora Belle Rychener served as president of the group.

Future Farmers



Back Row: Kenton Detter, Richard Nafziger, Richard Peters, Walter Sigg, Larry Hartman, Max Rufenacht, Carl Ayers, Dean Schmucker, Roger Nafziger, V. J. Andrews, Ronnie Rice, Larry Gerig, Richard Short. **Middle Row:** Bob Wagler, Jim King, Randy

Beck, Jerry Nofziger, Tom Short, Kevin Gautsche, Loyal Briskey, John Wagler, John Sauder, David Nafziger, Robert Short, Joe Nafziger, Barney Frey. **Front Row:** Ellis Nafziger, Keith Nofziger, Richard Nafziger, Duane Sauder, Phil Kauffman, Duane Short.



Meditation Committee

The Meditation Committee starts the school day with a thought-provoking statement or quotation over the public address system. Jackie Weber was president and Mrs. Thelma Rychener was adviser.

Mrs. Rychener, Jackie Weber, Susan King, Carol Nafziger, Rachel Nafziger, Jean Ann Rupp, Doreen Lantz, Judy Schmitz, Sherry Schnitkey, Beth Ann Rupp, Diane Seiler.



Board of Publications

The Board of Publications met monthly to discuss problems of the Lariat and Pet Echoes. Larry Rupp was chairman. Advisers were Miss Ruth K. Wyse, Mr. John Tedrow, Mr. Arthur Grafton, and Mr. Richard Selgo.

Standing: Bob Wagler, Alan Rupp, Dallas Rychener, Miss Wyse, John Hartman, Ruth Liechty. **Sitting:** Mr. Grafton, Larry Rupp, Sue Ann Ray, Mr. Tedrow.

Pet Echoes Staff

Lillie Grieser, Susan King, Judy Schmitz, Doreen Lantz, Jane Rychener, Miss Wyse. Not on Picture: Barbara Sigg, Diane Seiler, John Schrock, Tony Rodriguez.

The Pet Echoes staff with the help of the adviser, Miss Ruth K. Wyse, keeps the school and local community informed about coming and past events. The staff works every Monday night, as well as one regular class period each day, so that the newspaper can come out promptly each Tuesday.



Future Teachers

Verlyn Nofziger was president of FTA with Mr. Danford Sander, adviser. The group aided teachers.

Back Row: Mr. Sander, John Schrock, Alan Rupp, Bruce Rychener, Allen Smith, Dave Frey. **Second Row:** Bob First, Duane Sauder, Bruce Yoder, Gloria Wagler. **Third Row:** Kathy Gearig, Jane Rychener, Dorothy Andre, Jackie Weber. **Front Row:** Janet Hettesheimer, Marlin Nofziger, Dallas Rychener, Verlyn Nofziger.



Lariat Staff

One of the most exacting of school activities is the production of the yearbook. Ruth Liechty headed the staff and Miss Ruth K. Wyse was adviser.

Standing: Mary Helen Liechty, Paul Liechty, Lamar Hull, Jean Kay Rufenacht, Dorothy Andre, Susan King, Larry Rupp, Carole Knapp, Jerry Frey, Mary Keller. **Sitting:** Dallas Rychener, Janet Hettesheimer, Ruth Liechty, Miss Wyse, John Hartman.



The Library Club members served as librarians during the year. To supply additional reading material to students, they sold many paperback books in the lobby once a week. Miss Loretta Rupp, adviser, and the group spent one day at the Toledo library. They also had several parties.

Library Club

Standing: Richard Peters, Dale Schroeder, Rosemary Augustine, Stephanie Miller, Donna Genter, Mary Keller, Tom Buehrer, Miss Rupp. **Sitting:** John Hartman, Randy Beck, Mary Sue Rupp, Becky Huber, Janie Rupp, Becky Liechty.



Honor Society

The Honor Society was headed by Dallas Rychener and advised by Mrs. Thelma Rychener and Prin. Mark Ray. Fourteen new members were inducted.

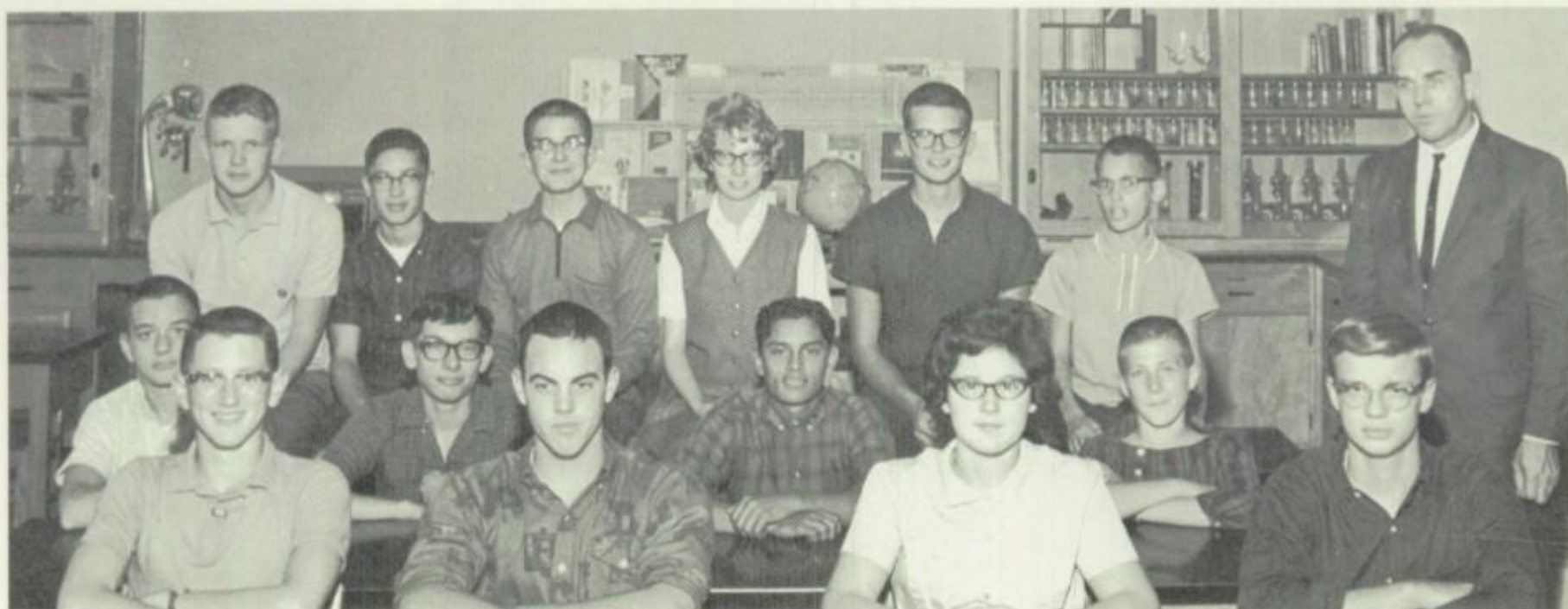
Standing: Dallas Rychener. **Back Row:** Tom Short, Roger Bunke, Mike Rychener, Jerry Frey. **Second Row:** George Liechty, John Nofziger, Bob Wagler, Alan Rupp. **Third Row:** Ruth Liechty, Walter Sigg, Jim King, Marlin Nofziger, Karen Stuckey. **Fourth Row:** Rachel Nafziger, Kris Lantz, Jackie Weber, Verlyn Nofziger. **Front Row:** Norene Rychener, Mary Helen Liechty.



Science Club

Back Row: Roger Bunke, Paul Liechty, Bart Jones, Karen Stuckey, Jerry Frey, Keith Miller, Mr. Jones. **Middle Row:** Bruce Rychener, Mike Roth, Santos Rodriguez, Allen Smith. **Front Row:** Mike Rychener, George Liechty, Kris Lantz, Delbert King.

This year the Science Club awarded the student with the highest average in chemistry and physics a chemistry-physics handbook. Jackie Weber received this award. The president, Kris Lantz, and adviser, Mr. Winfield Jones, kept the club activities running smoothly. Kris resigned in the spring and was followed in office by George Liechty, who served till the end of the year.



Tri-P's

The photo club, the Tri-P's, with Mr. Winfield Jones as its sponsor, learns how to take good pictures. They take pictures of many of the activities that go on at school.

Standing: Allen Richer, Alan Rupp, Roger Bunke, Walter Sigg, John Sauder, Robert Short, Loyal Briskey. **Sitting:** Kevin Gautsche.

Audio-Visual Club

The Audio-Visual Club showed movies and filmstrips to classes and assemblies. Mr. Douglas Rychener was the sponsor.

Back Row: Joe Nafziger, V. J. Andrews, Roger Nafziger, Loyal Briskey, Dale Schroeder, Keith Moden, Zeno Miller, Randy Beck. **Middle Row:** Lonnie Rychener, Roger Weber, Bill Miller, Leroy Nafziger, Randy King, Jim Rufenacht, Robert Short, Jerry Nofziger. **Front Row:** Keith Miller, Freddie Rychener, Richard Richer.



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Coach Dencil Miller goes over strategy for the second half with his players. After an extremely successful season last year, Coach Miller did a remarkable job of rebuilding the team into another organized and victorious group in spite of the lack of height, which usually is a big factor in winning basketball games.

Varsity Basketball

"Butterfly pills, anyone?" asks Manager Richard Peters, as the varsity begins to dress for the night's game. From left to right, in various stages of undress, are Larry Rupp, John Nofziger, Phil Kauffman, and Roger Bunke. Manager Peters was a great asset to the team, always ready to supply the various needs of the boys.

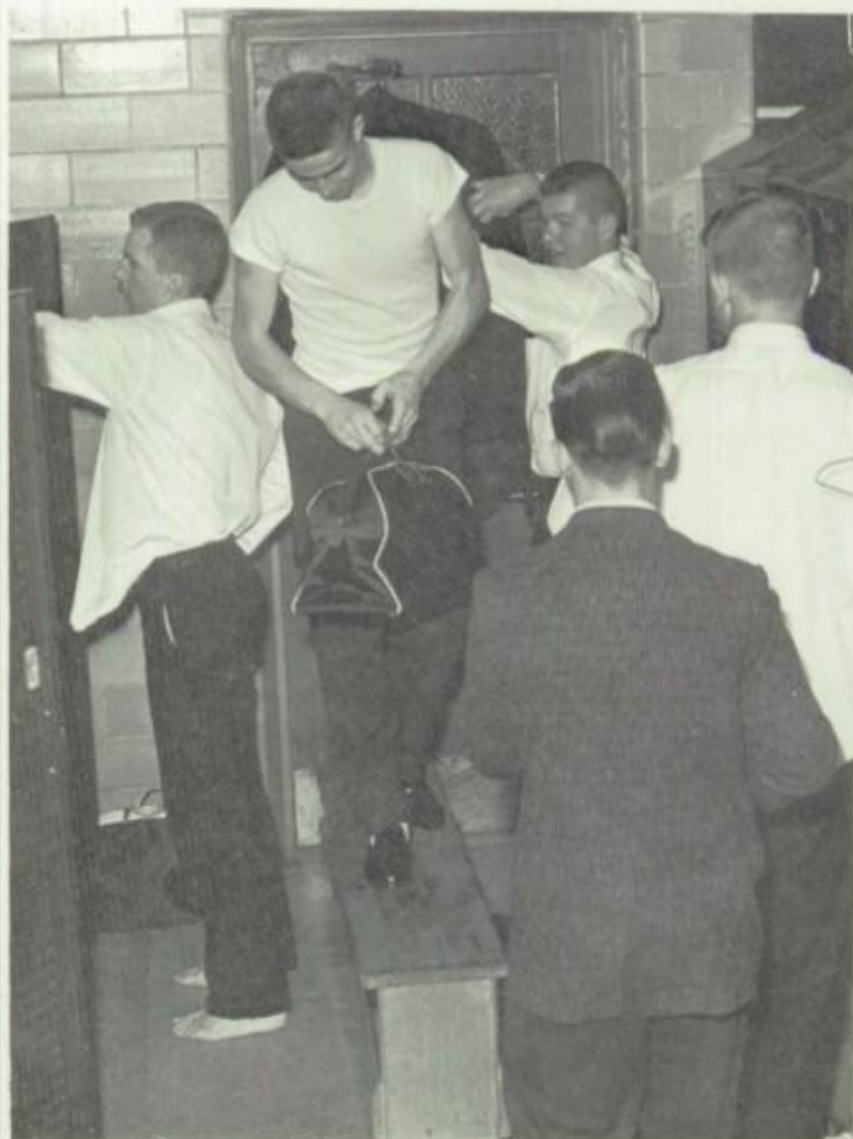
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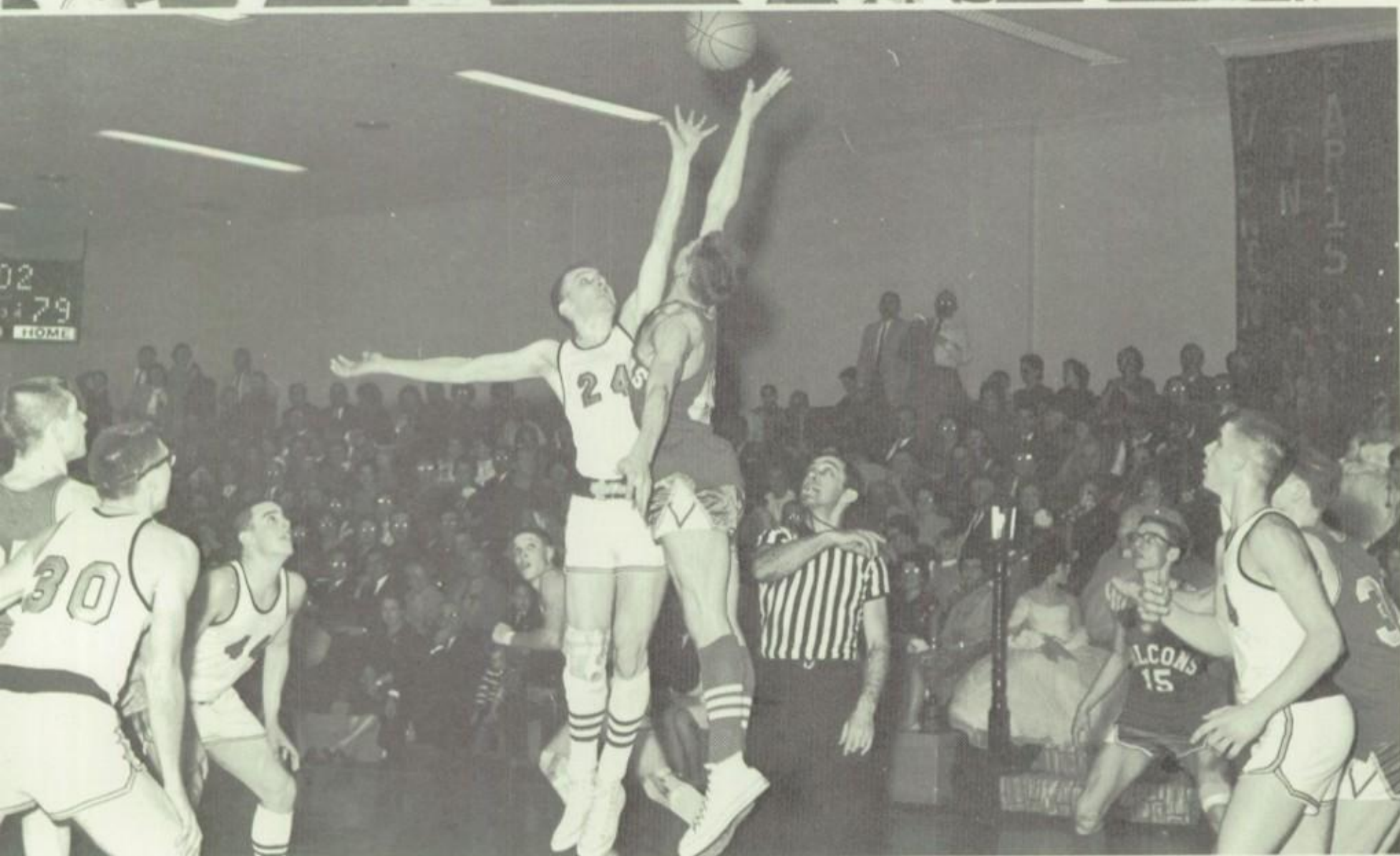
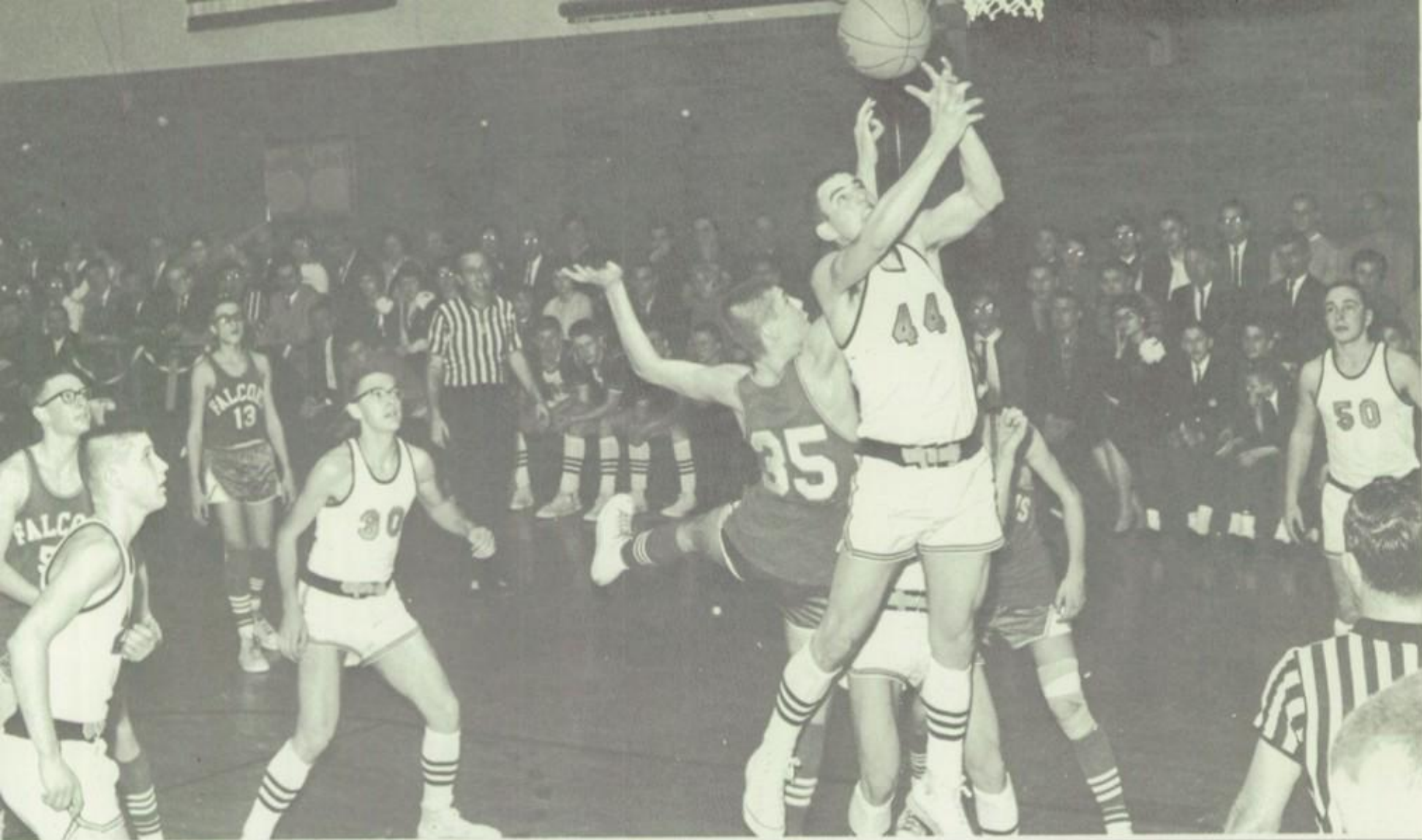
	PHS	OPP	
Stryker	61	58	Could not have been much closer.
Edgerton	78	48	First victory on Edgerton's floor.
Fayette	50	57	They outlasted us for the victory.
Fulton	87	65	Evens our young league record.
Archbold	52	62	We're waiting for a return visit.
Lyons	57	54	Too close for comfort, but we won.
Ridgeville	83	66	Falcons were no match tonight.
Chesterfield	69	50	Great prestige-boosting victory.
Metamora	78	53	Tigers got their claws trimmed.
Stryker	60	65	Some nights you can't make a nickel.
Fayette	57	52	Revenge tastes sweet, doesn't it?
Fulton	67	60	Finally another win on their floor.
Delta	73	40	A good ulcer-preventing medicine.
Lyons	65	48	Easier breathing than last meeting.
Ayersville	62	68	Birds are outflown by Pilots.
Chesterfield	50	60	No one will be celebrating tonight.
Ridgeville	81	72	Nice way to end a homecoming game.
Metamora	59	50	Last league game of the year.
Archbold	88	70	As they say, "How sweet it is!"
*Delta	59	51	Always a tough tournament opponent.
*Chesterfield	75	54	Who said Chesterfield was tough?
*Fayette	49	56	We aren't out of action yet!
**Hamler	66	63	It took a real team victory.
***Ayersville	51	52	We'll be back again next year!

*County Tournament

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George Liechty 44 battles for a rebound as Marlin Nofziger 50, Dallas Rychener 30, and Verlyn Nofziger wait their chance to get a hand on the ball. This play developed during the homecoming game with Ridgeville, which Pettisville won 81-72. Because of lack of height in the squad, Coach Miller emphasized rebound positioning, which is demonstrated here by Pettisville's outnumbering Ridgeville five to two around the basket.

In the background Verlyn Nofziger breaks down the court as Larry Rupp attempts to tip him the ball. Waiting anxiously are George Liechty 44, Dallas Rychener 30, and John Nofziger, as well as Her Majesty, Queen Diane Seiler, and her homecoming court. Because of their speed, the Blackbirds relied on the fast break to rip open their opponents' defense and composeure. They made excellent use of this tactic throughout the season.



Back Row: Manager Richard Peters, John Nofziger, Phil Kauffman, Roger Bunke, George Liechty, Larry Rupp, Dallas Rychener,

Coach Miller. Front Row: Duane Sauder, Marlin Nofziger, Max Rufenacht, Tom Rupp, Verlyn Nofziger.

PETTISVILLE BLACKBIRDS

After the record-breaking showing of the '62-'63 Blackbirds, Pettisville fans watched in expectation of a repeat this year, while opponents and their fans waited for the downfall of the Birds. Although the team did not go so far as last year, the local fans were not disappointed. After losing the county championship game to Fayette, they fought back to outlast any other Fulton County team in tournament play. Pettisville finished the year with a fine record of 17 wins and seven losses. Their league record of eight wins and two losses was good enough to tie them with Fayette and Chesterfield for first place, each team splitting their two games with each of the other teams. The biggest factor in their successful season is the fact that they played as a team for the team.

Verlyn Nofziger receives the Most Valuable Player Award with the congratulations of Coach Miller at the annual athletic banquet. Verlyn, captain and leader, was the spark that ignited the team.





Jill Lawrence was the team mascot through the season. This Blackbird was present at each game. Jill has pledged herself to this career for her remaining years in high school. Jill, a sophomore, became the first mascot the Pettisville Blackbirds had ever had. She first appeared at Fulton County tournament play last year.



The varsity cheerleaders worked hard at each game, keeping the fans alive by leading the cheering section, thus spurring the varsity on to win. Erect: Sue Ann Ray, Doreen Lantz, Charlene Rupp. Kneeling: Sherry Schnitkey.

Mascot, Cheerleaders, and Awards Winners

The Most Improved Player Award given annually to the player who shows the most improvement during the year was captured by John Nofziger, one of the team's leading rebounders. John's will to improve helped him win this trophy.

Much time was spent in practice sessions shooting foul shots, one of the few weaknesses of this year's team. Extra practice appears to have paid off, for George Liechty is shown here receiving the trophy for Best Foul Shooter.





Back Row: Allen Leininger, Phil Moden, Roger Nafziger, Jerry Frey, Max Rufenacht, Tom Rupp, Dean Schmucker. Front Row: David Rupp, Don Blosser, Chuck Rychener, Santos Rodriguez, Mike Rychener.

Reserve Team

Although the record of the reserves is not a spectacular one, it does not show the true value or importance of this team. It is here that the future varsity stars mature and gain valuable game experience, which is the most important achievement at this stage of the game.

The reserve cheerleaders were always present to cheer the boys of their team on to victory. They are Pam Rupp, Jean Ann Rupp, and Diane Seiler.



Two points or not two points? That seems to be the question, as Jerry Frey shoots and Roger Nafziger 30 and Allen Leininger 52 close in for a possible rebound.





Back Row: Larry Smith, Phil Blosser, Bart Jones, Larry Schultz, Bruce Yoder, Bruce Rychener, Barney Frey, Kevin Gautsche. **Front Row:** Bob First, David Emmons, Loyal Briskey, John Wagler, Jerry Huber, Manager Jim Grime.

Freshman Team

The freshman cheerleaders gained experience as they accompanied the freshman team to their various games. The team gained encouragement and praise. The cheerleaders are Rachel Andre, Luana Wyse, and Jane D. Rupp.

Reserve Record

	PHS	OPP
Stryker	20	39
Edgerton	37	30
Fayette	18	29
Fulton	33	30
Archbold	29	47
Lyons	44	37
Ridgeville	31	34
Chesterfield	47	50
Metamora	41	52
Stryker	31	43
Fayette	41	49
Fulton	38	33
Delta	40	47
Lyons	30	24
Ayersville	25	46
Chesterfield	28	48
Ridgeville	32	30
Metamora	37	33
Archbold	40	51

The freshman team, coached by Mr. Richard Selgo, prepared for the years ahead by learning and putting into practice the many fundamentals of the game of basketball. These boys should give the fans many thrills next year.





Grade 8. Standing: Philip Avina, Chris Rychener, Lonnie Rychener, Zeno Miller, Keith Hull, Roger Weber, Eddie Nafziger, Oscar Ramos, Tom Wagler. **Kneeling:** Manager Eddie Waidelich.

The seventh and eighth grade basketballers found their spare time filled with practice sessions and inter-scholastic games, which were played after school. The two teams traveled together, playing double-headers.

The boys learned a lot of basketball from their coach, Mr. Douglas Rychener, and should make good material for varsity competition in the next two or three years.



Grade 7. Back Row: Jerry Reynolds, Tony Wyse, Duane Yoder, Jim Henschen, Keith Moden, Charles Nafziger, Steve Graffice, Jim Lantz. **Front Row:** Dennis Blosser, Fred Rychener, Neil Rupp, Kenny Frey, Duane McConnell, Steve Lauber, Norman Riegsecker, Rex Beck.

Coach Douglas Rychener and Coach Richard Selgo became accustomed to putting in overtime this year, as they usually spent an hour or so each day instructing their teams. Mr. Rychener had command of the seventh and eighth graders as well as the reserve team. The freshman team was led by Mr. Selgo. He also undertook the task of coaching the fifth and sixth grade teams.

Seventh and Eighth Grades

Cheerleaders Donna Genter, Mary Sue Rupp, and Renee Rupp supported the junior high team from the sidelines. Their cheering section was often small, but the team could always feel their support.





Grade 6. Standing: Eugene Seiler, Dick Rupp, Randy Leininger, Mike Armstrong, Jack Lawrence, Marlin Gearig, Bob Rupp. **Kneeling:** Jan Stamm, Kurt Weber, Brad Miller, Luther Gautsche, David Somers, David Roth.



Grade 5. Back Row: Johnny Martinez, Allen Lantz, Dick Selgo, Ronald Roth, Jerry Reinking, John Moden, Ronnie Rupp. **Front Row:** Mr. Selgo, Dwight Smith, Eddie Nafziger, Tim Huber, Max Wyse, Ronald Gerig, Richard Seiler.

Fifth and Sixth Grades

Fifth and sixth grade basketball teams were formed once again this year to encourage and promote interest at this age level. The boys were coached by Mr. Richard Selgo and they received an opportunity to participate in interscholastic games. They also learned what it is like to play before large crowds as they performed between halves of the varsity games on some occasions.

The Little Blackbirds



Back Row: Coach Selgo, John Nofziger, George Liechty, Phil Kauffman, Tom Rupp, Larry Schultz, Bruce Yoder, Phil Moden, Allen Leininger, Manager Junior Moden. **Front Row:** Jim Grime,

Roger Price, Marlin Nofziger, Verlyn Nofziger, Chuck Rychener, Larry Smith, Bob First, Santos Rodriguez, Jerry Huber.

Record of Year

League	PHS	OPP
Fayette	0	1
Fulton	11	1
Lyons	6	5
Chesterfield	4	0
Metamora	6	2
Fayette	5	4
Fulton	6	5
Lyons	7	2
Chesterfield	11	5
Metamora	2	3
Tournament		
Metamora	8	5
Archbold	4	14

Baseball

This year's baseball team compiled a fine league record of eight wins and two losses. This was good enough to tie them with a tough Metamora team for first place in the league. The Blackbirds proved who was the tougher, however, by defeating Metamora in tournament competition. Under the skillful guidance of Coach Richard Selgo the team not only finished with a great record but had fun doing it.



John Nofziger appears to have arrived safely at third even though his cap has not. Their suits might have gotten quite dirty, but the team didn't mind that.

Verlyn Nofziger receives the coveted belt buckle award, which in baseball requires four years of regular participation and means the player must be a letter winner from his freshman year.



A noon intramural sports program is sponsored each year by the Student Council. Basketball is the favorite one. The senior girls were tournament winners in the senior high division for girls. The senior boys were beaten by the faculty, losing their title of champs. **Standing:** Jean Ann Rupp, Barbara Roth, Susan King, Jackie Weber, Gloria Belle Rychener, Diane Seiler. **Kneeling:** Jeanne Nafziger, Dianne Blosser, Mary Helen Liechty, Carol Nafziger.



This group of eighth grade girls were champs in the junior high division for girls. Since this class is large, there were two sections. Marilyn Graber, Shirley Frey, Linda Klopfenstein, Donna Genter, Marilyn Nafziger, LaRita Figy.

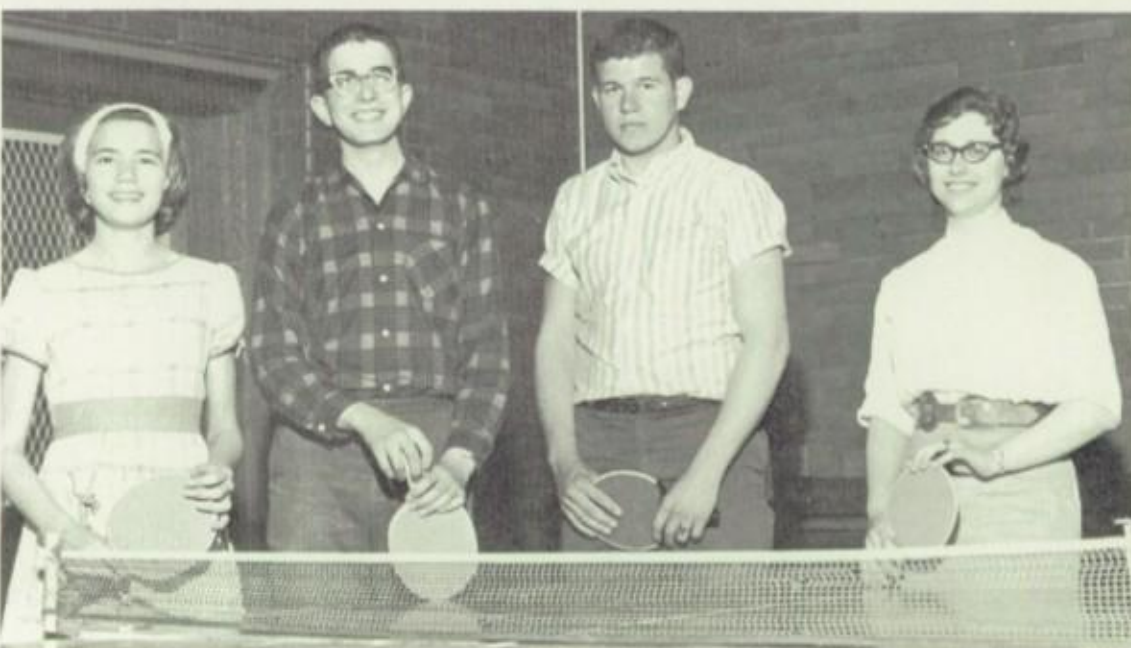


The freshman boys were the winners in the boys' junior high division. Robert Short, Larry Gerig, Russell Leatherman, John Sauder, Paul Liechty, David Nafziger.



Intramural Sports

Ping-pong was the other sport featured this year. LaRita Figy and Bart Jones were junior high champs. Phil Kauffman and Rosemary Augustine were winners in the senior high division.



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